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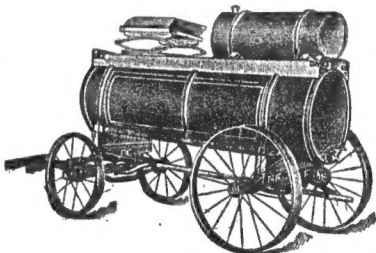
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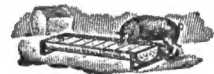
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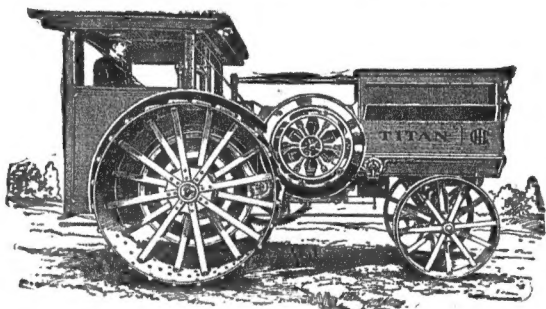


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The second convention of the Women Grain Growers of Saskatchewan has come and gone and marked an epoch in the organization work of farm women. Over seventy country women were present, and from the first the convention was marked by a spirit of earnestness and determination to get into the best possible working shape for the ensuing year.

At the business meeting on the second day, discussion as to the how and why waxed lively and many and various were the suggestions as to the form the organization work should take. The particular difficulty to be met and conquered was that of funds, since the society would need money to pay a secretary and get literature printed. Some were for asking the secretary of the Grain Growers' Association to keep the fifty cents paid into the general fund by the women separate and at the disposal of the Women Grain Growers. The objection was raised that this would be a move toward separating completely the two sections of the organization, the men's and women's, which was far from being the desire of the convention.

### Men's Convention Grant \$500

It was decided to appoint a committee to wait on the men's convention and ask for a grant of five hundred dollars to carry on the work this year. Mrs. McNaughtan, Miss Stocking, Mrs. Thompson, and Miss Beynon, were delegated to this work. A very cordial reception was given to the delegation and the resolution passed without a word of discussion or a dissenting voice. Instead of the committee of last year, with rather vague and nebulous responsibilities, this year has evolved a real live executive with working orders.

### Officers and Directors

Mrs. Violet McNaughtan, Piche, Sask., has the honor of being the first president of the Women Grain Growers of Saskatchewan. She was one of the committee of last year, is a remarkably able organizer and has the well-being of the organization very much at heart. Miss Irma Stocking, of Delisle, Sask., is the secretary of the now properly launched organization, and is the one to whom inquirers should write to get information as to how to go about forming a new society or local.

The plan of organization is to follow, as nearly as possible, the rules for the conduct of the men's society. Accordingly it is intended to have a director for every district. As the representation was unfortunately not very well distributed over the province, it was impossible to appoint all of the directors at this convention, so only the following were elected: District 1, Mrs. S. I. Haight, Keeler; district 3, Mrs. Grant, Redvers; district 4, Mrs. Halton, Colfax; district 5, Mrs. Hicks, Rosette; district 6, Mrs. Arthur Hawkes, Percival; district 7, Mrs. Platt, Tantallon; district 8, Mrs. Ames, Hanley; district 9, Mrs. Anderson, Sutherland; district 13, Mrs. Irene Thompson, Netherhill; district 15, Mrs. McNeil, Expanse.

### Work of Homemakers' Clubs

On the opening day an instructive address was given by Miss Isabella Armstrong, of Regina, on the work of the Homemakers' Clubs. She began by pointing out that these clubs, being under the university, were not free to deal with the controversial subjects such as religion and politics, but outside of these debatable questions, they had a wide range of subjects that they could deal with to the great advantage of themselves and the community. Among these might be mentioned the question of how to get the best results out of the least labor, ventilation in the home, food values, care of children, and how to make the home attractive. From the consideration of home problems, the next logical step was the communities' needs, and in some places the Homemakers' Club had caused a whole village to blossom like a garden, thru the inspiration of the horticultural shows they had held. They had interested themselves in bettering conditions in the rural school and had awakened the civic



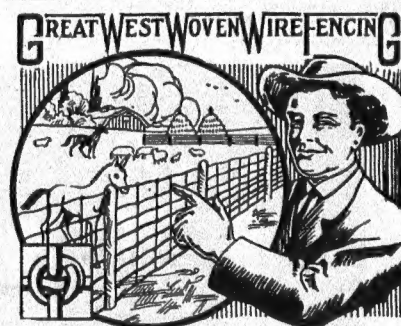
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At the organizing meeting on the second afternoon of the convention, two able addresses by Mrs. S. W. Haight and Mrs. McNaughtan paved the way for the lively business session which followed, and as many of their suggestions have a direct bearing on the future activities of the Women Grain Growers, they will be given later at greater length in the Homemakers' page.

At the concluding session, the meeting was addressed first by G. F. Chipman, editor of The Guide, who most heartily congratulated the women on their organization, their very evident increase in numbers and interest, and promised them the willing support and hearty co-operation of The Guide in their undertaking.

#### Other Associations Will Follow

President Henders, of the Manitoba Grain Growers, and President Tregillus, of the United Farmers of Alberta, also spoke a word of encouragement and announced their intention of planning some movement for the women in con-

nection with each of their organizations. Mrs. Platt, of Tantallon, read a paper on the influence of home environment in the creation of national ideals in our boys and girls.

#### Importance of Family

"The nation is made up of units," Mrs. Platt said, "and as the character of a building is determined largely by the nature of the material used in its construction, so the character of a nation depends mainly upon the quality of the units of which it is composed. The family is the most closely associated and most important group of units in the world. With the parents, both father and mother, lies the responsibility of producing the right kind of units of society or citizens." She cited a very interesting example of what mother love can accomplish in a case that had come under her personal attention of a mother who had taught her deaf and dumb boy to speak without herself having had any training in the art of such instruction.

The speaker deplored the number of careless, ignorant, foolish, indulgent, over-strict, poverty-stricken and super-rich parents and declared that it should give us cause to reflect that anyone, no matter how unfit morally or physically, is allowed to provide that greatest of any asset, the children of the nation.

"The promotion of health and happiness in the home" was the subject of an exceedingly practical paper by Miss Burry and Miss Mylatt, of the Y.W.C.A. in Moose Jaw.

#### Resolutions at Moose Jaw Convention

The following resolutions were passed with brief discussion:

Whereas cheaper money for farmers was one of the burning questions at the last provincial election, and the farmers were led to expect immediate relief, the provincial government are hereby urged to bring into effect the act passed at the last session dealing with the question.

#### Free Trade

Resolved that this Association assembled in convention again places itself on record as favoring free food, free implements, free lumber and cement and free trade with Great Britain.

On the motion of E. A. Partridge, it was also unanimously resolved that this convention is in favor of absolute free trade.

Whereas Western Canada raises annually millions of bushels of oats, barley and flax, in addition to its wheat crop, and whereas the prices obtainable on the American markets for oats are usually higher, and for barley and flax, invariably higher than the Canadian prices; therefore be it resolved that the executive of the Saskatchewan Grain Growers' association petition the Dominion government, if possible, to make arrangements with the American government whereby these three grains may be admitted free into the United States as well as wheat.

#### Grain Growers for Peace

A resolution was also passed declaring in favor of universal peace and disarmament, and the settlement of international disputes by arbitration.

The resolution on disarmament was the last on the order paper and came before the Moose Jaw convention a few minutes before the close of the convention on Friday night in the following form:

"Resolved that this convention place itself on record as being in favor of the adoption of universal disarmament and the settlement of the international disputes by arbitration, and that we deprecate the spending of any money in increasing navies and armaments."

An amendment was offered striking out all the words after arbitration. There was no discussion on the question, as the meeting was about to close and the delegates anxious to get away. The amendment was carried by a very narrow majority, but a large number of the delegates did not vote at all, as they did not gather the substance of the amendment. It was quite evident during the convention that the majority of delegates present were opposed to any money being spent for a navy or for any increase in the appropriations for military purposes. As the resolution stands, the Saskatchewan Grain Growers have declared for universal peace. The idea of removing the last line from the resolution was that it was a separate subject and deserved separate consideration.

The convention next year, will meet in Regina, by the unanimous choice of the delegates.

A resolution was introduced by R. C. Henders, president of the Manitoba Grain Growers' Association, providing for a federated board, composed of delegates from the three farmers' grain companies and the three associations, to act as an advisory body to aid in shaping the policies of all the organizations along the lines of greatest efficiency and harmony. It was the same resolution that was adopted by the Manitoba and Alberta conventions. It was referred to the board of directors, with power to act.

#### For Cheap Fruit

F. M. Gates reported upon a trip made by himself and J. F. Reid to the Okanagan Valley to view the property of the Southern British Columbia Fruit company, who are negotiating with the executive with regard to a co-operative fruit proposition. D. E. Hatt a representative of the company also briefly addressed the convention, but details were not gone into, the matter being referred to the executive for further consideration.

#### District Directors

District directors were elected as follows: District No. 1, P. M. Hendricks, Outlook; 2, M. P. Roddy, Rouleau; 3, Nelson Spencer, Carnduff; 4, R. M. Johnson, East View; 5, J. W. Easton, Moosomin; 6, F. M. Redman, Grenfell; 7, C. O. A. Travers, Govan; 8, T. M. Eddy, Bethune; 9, J. F. Reid, Orcadia; 10, John L. Rooke, Togo; 11, T. Sales, Langham; 12, Andrew Knox, Prince Albert; 13, W. H. Lilwall, Wilkie; 14, J. N. Burrill, Cabri; 15, Frank Burton, Vanguard.

The convention closed with a brief but inspiring address from Honorary President Hopkins, and the usual votes of thanks.

In the evening the delegates were entertained in the same church by the city, with a musical program, and the convention of 1914 thus brought to a very happy and successful conclusion.

#### A CORRECTION

Two errors appear in the Secretary's report. On page 8 in the last column the total assets should be \$23,664.03, and on page 13 the first figure should be \$2.



OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS OF THE SASKATCHEWAN GRAIN GROWERS' ASSOCIATION, 1914-15

Back Row, left to right—Andrew Knox, Prince Albert; C. O. A. Travis, Govan; W. H. Lilwall, Colonsay; J. B. Musselman, Cupar; J. L. Rooke, Togo; J. N. Burrill, Cabri.  
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Front Row, left to right—Nelson Spencer, Carnduff; F. M. Redman, Grenfell; Fred W. Green, Moose Jaw; John A. Maharg, President, Moose Jaw; E. N. Hopkins, Honorary President, Moose Jaw; A. G. Hawkes, Vice-President, Percival; M. P. Roddy, Rouleau. Sitting at the front between the President and Hon. President is W. J. Thompson, Warman. The only two directors not included in the photograph are Hon. George Langley, Regina, and Dr. C. E. Platt, of Tantallon.



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## THE MOOSE JAW CONVENTION

The Grain Growers of Saskatchewan manifested their determination to persevere in their work of agitation and organization for better economic and political conditions when they sent the largest number of delegates in their history to the annual convention at Moose Jaw last week. Every corner of the province had its representative present among the seven hundred delegates who constituted the convention and it was apparent that they were picked men who knew why they were present and what the association meant to them and their fellow farmers. Year by year as the educational work continues the results of it are seen in the transaction of the business of the convention. New men are coming to the front regularly, and there were probably a larger number of new men at Moose Jaw this year than ever before. A large number of the new men took part in the discussions and their remarks as a rule indicated previous consideration of their subject and not a conclusion reached on the spur of the moment. The steady growth in the size of the conventions and the consequent smaller proportion of the delegates who are enabled to take an active part in the proceedings brings forward for consideration the question of whether the unit of representation at the annual convention should not be increased so that there will be a smaller number present. At the present rate of growth these conventions are liable to become unwieldy unless a great deal of time and care is expended for some time previously in the preparation of the program and the selection of the speakers who will introduce the important subjects. On the other hand the large attendance generates greater enthusiasm and the delegates are able to become acquainted with a larger number of farmers from other parts of their province. There is also to be considered the fact that the world is watching these conventions and their conclusion as to the importance of the movement is liable to be judged in many quarters by the number of delegates in attendance quite as much as by the conclusions reached.

The spirit of the convention was decidedly that of co-operation. The co-operative spirit has been developing steadily for the past three years and has been encouraged by every actual experience of the different local associations. There was a strong feeling among the delegates that the organization had reached the place where it might consider the plan of handling the farmers' entire business upon the co-operative plan and cut out a portion of the immense host of middlemen who are merely an additional tax upon the farmer and consequently an increase in the cost of living. It was stated at the convention, and cannot be denied, that the farmers of the Prairie Provinces create more wealth per capita than any other people in Canada, and it was also stated that they retained for their own use probably a smaller portion of this wealth than was retained by any other wealth producers in Canada. The injustice and unwisdom of such conditions were apparent to all and there is a deep and serious determination in the hearts of the Saskatchewan farmers that their best efforts shall be devoted to retaining for themselves and their families an equitable portion of the wealth which they create in order to develop comfortable and happy homes on the prairies. They realize that by organizing their purchasing power they will have a weapon in their hands which will enable them to correct many abuses

which are now burdening them most heavily.

On all sides there was a feeling among the delegates that the economic burden was yearly growing heavier, despite the fact that the tariff has remained practically unchanged for many years. It is the cumulative effect of the tariff and the fact that new combinations are steadily growing up under it which add one burden to another, which causes the load to grow incessantly. The heavy rates of interest and the credit system, with its enhanced prices and long and deceptive terms, are driving the people deeper into debt year by year, and if it is not relieved there is bound to be a large emigration from the country. There is no English-speaking country in the world where the farmers are so heavily burdened as in Western Canada. The fact that they got a large portion of their land free leads outsiders to feel that the western farmers should be rich. Yet nearly all the farmers are mortgaged and are bound to remain mortgaged until something is done for their relief. Even free land has to many of them been an expensive gift and they have found it impossible to live upon it. It is of no use to provide free land and then burden the people to such a degree that its benefit is entirely offset. The politicians at Ottawa have no suspicion of the hardships and the struggles faced by the people of the rural West. And it seems that most of them do not want to know. They prate about the prosperity of the grain growers when they know nothing about the matter and are judging entirely by the affluence of a small portion of them who have made their money out of land speculation and not out of farming. To clear away these false notions is the work of the organized farmers and they must not hesitate to place the bald facts before the public. They may be accused of knocking the country, but that charge cannot hold. The country is all right and its people have faith in it, but artificial conditions have been created by a handful of men who rule the country by which the common people are being bled white for the benefit of the few who constitute the classes of Special Privilege.

## THE WOMEN GRAIN GROWERS

The most promising feature of the convention season of the year is the organization of the Women Grain Growers of Saskatchewan. Eighty of them who came to Moose Jaw with their husbands, or fathers, or brothers, organized a separate convention and consummated a distinct organization, which will go forward hand in hand with, and as a working partner of, the men's organization. They showed themselves quite capable of doing their own business and have set themselves to the work of making conditions better for themselves and their families. There is every reason why the women should have a full share in this organization work and no valid reason against it. Their's is the harder part in the pioneer struggle necessary to develop the country and up to date their's has been the smaller share of the good things in return. Today more than ever before the men are recognizing that the women should be placed upon terms of equality with themselves, not only before the law but in everything else that pertains to citizenship. The home is the unit of the state and unless the home is organized upon a basis of equality there can never be equality in the state. The women of Saskatchewan are studying and working out their own problems. The day is not far distant when they will exercise

the franchise on equal terms with the men and they are not only getting ready for it but, in the meantime, are preparing to exercise in the most effective manner the silent influence which they now possess. The far-reaching effects of such an organization of women cannot be overestimated. They came right from their kitchens to the convention and have demonstrated beyond debate that they are capable of performing valuable work for mankind outside the home which many men like to call their "sphere." When the business of the nation comes to be conducted in such a manner that it is out of touch with the home influence then it is a bad day for the nation. We wish the women every success in their organization. The Guide will aid them in every possible way. Next year we hope to see every male delegate to the conventions in each of the three provinces accompanied by his wife, daughter or sister, so that the women in each province may have their own organization upon the same lines that have proved of so much value to the men.

## TALK OF TARIFF REDUCTION

Inside reports from Ottawa are to the effect that the Government is considering a reduction in the duty on agricultural implements, as a concession to the western farmers, in lieu of accepting the United States offer for free wheat. There is no doubt that a large reduction in the duty on agricultural implements is long over due. We do not believe, after investigation, that there is any implement manufacturing establishment in Canada that will be injured in the slightest by having the duty on implements removed.

In fact we have in our office a private letter from a Canadian implement manufacturer who favors free trade in implements, but, for obvious reasons, does not care to have his name published. All Canadian implement manufacturers today have free access to the American market and will undoubtedly in time build up a good business with the American farmers. There is no good reason why farm implements should not be placed upon the free list, and if this is done it will bring about a very considerable reduction in the prices which the western farmers are now paying. The Government in placing farm implements on the free list, will find that their action will be very highly approved in Western Canada. When reducing the duty on farm implements, the reduction should be made to apply to all lines of farm machinery, including gasoline engines and traction engines. The small gasoline engine is coming into very general use, and it is now a necessity on the farms where diversified farming is practiced. The tractor is also very widely used, and the duty on both of these engines is very high, namely 20 per cent. for tractors and 27½ per cent. on gasoline engines.

## THE NAVY AND CHEAP MONEY

J. Norton Griffiths, a Unionist member of the British House of Commons, addressed the Montreal Canadian Club a few days ago, and in the course of his speech took occasion to give a boost to the big navy movement. "Mr. Griffiths had no hesitation," the newspaper reports state, "in saying that the critics of the world realized that in naval matters we were going thru one of the most critical periods in our history. Behind security and strength lay cheap money and prosperity. The British empire had always had cheap money, because of her naval strength."

Mr. Griffiths is of course aware that in



Canada we are badly in need of cheap money and prosperity, and the inference is that the way to get these things is to dig down into our pockets and contribute a few millions of the money we need to buy food and clothing and the tools of industry, towards the increase of the British navy. But if the British empire has always had cheap money because of her naval strength, why does not Canada get some of that cheap money? Canada surely is part of the British empire, but the farmers of Western Canada, at any rate, have never had cheap money. As a matter of fact, to say that big navies mean cheap money is to ignore the truth. Great Britain last year spent over \$235,000,000 on her navy, and the year before more than \$225,000,000. Germany is spending not quite half as much, and the United States about \$140,000,000 a year. Altogether the seven leading powers expended last year nearly \$800,000,000 on their navies, and another huge sum on armies. If all this money, instead of being used to build engines of destruction and to train men to commit wholesale murder, had been available for investment in manufacturing industries, buildings, public improvements, agricultural production and other useful productive purposes, there would have been no such thing as financial stringency and money would be available at reasonable rates of interest. The fact of the matter is that naval and military madness by withdrawing such huge amounts of capital and such large numbers of men from productive employment, is one of the chief causes of high interest rates.

Mr. Griffiths might explain how it is that money is cheaper in such countries as Norway, Denmark and Holland, where they have practically no navy, than it is in those countries that maintain great navies. He would then realize that his attempt to force the Canadian people into the race for naval armament is a delusion and a snare and his argument is entirely without foundation.

### THE CANADIAN MANUFACTURERS' ASSOCIATION

Most of the readers of The Guide are interested in the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, because it is regarded as the organization that thru its political influence has built up the Protective Tariff and still retains it. For this reason we wish to point out how the Canadian Manufacturers' Association is constituted, and the way the work of the organization is conducted. The membership fee is as follows:

(a) Members employing up to 30 hands..	\$ 10
(b) Members employing 30 to 60 hands..	15
(c) Members employing 60 to 100 hands..	25
(d) Members employing 100 to 200 hands..	35
(e) Members employing 200 to 500 hands..	50
(f) Members employing 500 to 1,000 hands..	100
(g) Members employing over 1,000 hands..	150
(h) Additional representatives, each....	10

In order to see where the strength of the Association is concentrated, we publish the attached tabular statement taken from the last convention report of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, in September, 1913:

Province	\$10	\$15	\$25	\$35	\$50	\$100	\$150	Total
Nova Scotia ..	72	8	14	5	3	1	1	104
P. E. Island ..	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	4
New Brunswick	36	12	9	2	4	..	..	63
Quebec .....	339	192	97	64	59	10	12	733
Ontario .....	843	350	198	193	88	16	8	1,696
Manitoba .....	174	35	13	8	2	..	..	232
Alberta and Saskatchewan	16	9	1	1	4	..	..	32
Brit. Columbia.	56	20	11	10	4	1	1	103
	1,538	628	343	283	164	29	22	3,077

The Canadian Manufacturers' Association is maintained and directed by the leading manufacturers of Canada, to look after their own interests, individually and collectively,

especially in the field of tariff, transportation, fire insurance, legislation and export trade. They maintain a permanent staff of experts to handle the business of all these departments, and there are now more than thirty permanent employees in the Montreal and Toronto offices of the Association. It will be noticed from the above tabular statement that the membership in the Association is largely concentrated in Ontario and Quebec, but it is spreading out and other offices are being opened.

We notice in the last financial report of the Association that the membership fees of the last year totalled \$53,913.06, to which was added interest on investments, \$1,751.58, and the profit from the publication of Industrial Canada, amounting to \$7,273.23—totaling \$62,937.97. The Association, therefore, has for running expenses this large revenue from a membership of 3,000 manufacturers. With this adequate financial provision, and a comparatively small membership, it is possible for their central office to render very efficient service to the manufacturers who constitute the Association. Each of the members is the head of a business establishment, accustomed to taking care of his correspondence promptly, and is therefore in a good position to avail himself of the services of the Central Office. Whenever any question regarding freight rates is to be dealt with an expert in the Central Office is always on hand to take care of it, and to see that it is properly handled. The same applies to questions regarding fire insurance, legal matters and any other question affecting the Association, as a whole or individually. The tariff department is very highly organized, and is in charge of an expert with many years' experience in the customs department of the Dominion Government. He naturally knows where to go and how to go about it to secure all possible tariff concessions for the members of his Association.

In brief, this gives the important facts regarding the most powerful and most effective political organization in Canada. It is well that the organized farmers do not underestimate the strength and influence of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, because it is this organization that is mainly responsible for preventing the organized farmers from securing justice in tariff legislation, which they have repeatedly demanded from the Ottawa Government. In addition to its public activities, the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, or persons who are interested in maintaining the protective system, conduct publicity campaigns thru the press of Canada, setting forth the merits of the protective tariff. When it is necessary the protectionists have unlimited finances for any purpose that will be most effective in preventing tariff reduction. The organized farmers will see at once that their own organization must be strengthened and that it must be extended thru every province of Canada. It must be the aim of the organized farmers to put their case clearly before every farmer in the Dominion, so that he may realize the injury which the protective tariff is doing him every year. This cannot be done on a membership fee of \$1.00 per year, which the farmers at present are paying. The central offices of the farmers' associations must have larger financial support in order that they may maintain a larger staff to handle the business of their members. If the organized farmers had in their central offices as large a staff of experts as has the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, it would pay every farmer member to devote \$10 a year to the organization. But if the farmers would only devote \$2.00 per year, and all of them would join their association, they would then have sufficient strength and sufficient influence to effect their purpose. The chief strength of the organized farmers is their ballot, and the chief weakness of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association is the lack

of the ballot. But the manufacturers always stand together, while the farmers are only beginning to learn how necessary it is for them to forget partyism and stand together for mutual benefit.

The Ottawa politicians of both parties were practically unanimous two weeks ago in turning down J. H. Burnham's bill to abolish titles. While honors are distributed in accordance with the nomination of the government of the day, theoretically all titles and honors are the gift of the king, and the Canadian Parliament has no power to abolish this granting of favors. Mr. Burnham's proper procedure would probably have been in the form of a resolution regretting the continuation of class distinctions by the granting of out-worn feudal titles. But we have no doubt both parties would have been just as unanimously opposed. Both parties prize very highly their right to keep Knighthoods and other honors on tap, to hand out every now and again to successful party workers, shrewd financiers and those members of the "invisible government" whose fat check comes regularly to swell the party campaign funds. Now and again, to be sure, a worthy man is honored either for his intellectual achievements or other form of public service. But these exceptions seem more designed to keep the titles in good repute than to honor the recipient, since the more commonsense a man has, and the more genuine his service to his fellows, the less he cares for these tin-pot relics of feudal days.

"No man who wants to be intellectually honest has any business in Congress," declared a disgusted Congressman, Whitacre, of Ohio, in announcing his retirement from public life. "All I've done since I have been down in Washington," he continues, "has been to sit around and try to look wise, and that's what any man has to do who isn't willing to barter his convictions for political expediency." This politician has blurted out the truth about most of his fellow politicians at Ottawa as well as at Washington. He describes to a nicety the inactivity of the typical party henchman "sitting around and trying to look wise." But Congressman Whitacre is too sweeping when he claims that no intellectually honest man has any business in Congress. Bryan, La Follette, Bristol, Dooliver, Beveridge and the noble band of Progressives who did the spade-work for the recent Democratic success are outstanding exceptions to that rule. Canada has room for a few men of this type. The fact that practically every member of our House of Commons jumps in line at the crack of the party whip only intensifies the need for independence and concern for the common welfare instead of for party success.

The issue of The Guide of April 1 will be devoted especially to the interests of the women of the Prairie Provinces. It will be known as the Mothers' Number. We consider that the women of the Prairie Provinces are quite as important as the men and we believe that the men will all approve of the plan to give them one issue practically to themselves. Our women readers should read the announcement of the Mothers' Number on another page, and do all they can to assist in making it of special interest and value.

We hope that all of our readers will give special attention to our Co-operative Number, the announcement of which appears on page 7 of this issue. We want to show the world that the organized farmers are going into business on their own account and are adopting the most up-to-date methods.



# Saskatchewan Farmers' Parliament

Seven hundred representative Grain Growers hold enthusiastic and successful convention—Interesting discussion on past year's work and future developments—Farmers take advanced ground on political and social problems and are striving for a co-operative democracy of equal rights

Fully six hundred delegates, representing local associations in every part of the province, were present when President J. A. Maharg opened the thirteenth annual convention of the Saskatchewan Grain Growers' association in the Collegiate Institute at Moose Jaw, on Wednesday morning, February 11. By noon, the auditorium, which seats 700 people, was filled to overflowing and it was arranged to hold the remaining sessions of the convention in Zion Methodist church, which will accommodate nearly 2,000 people. The proceedings opened with an address by Mayor Pascoe,



J. A. MAHARG

Re-elected President Saskatchewan G.G.A.  
President Sask. Co-operative Elevator Co.

who extended a welcome to the convention on behalf of the City of Moose Jaw. His worship spoke of the progress of the city and invited the delegates to ride free upon the street cars and see for themselves what Moose Jaw looked like. Among the institutions mentioned by the mayor was the public library and his statement that this splendid building was well equipped and maintained entirely by the city of Moose Jaw without a dollar of Carnegie money was loudly applauded.

President Bamford, of the Moose Jaw board of trade, also welcomed the delegates and made a plea for close co-operation between the farmers' organization and the boards of trade. Both institutions, he said, were aiming to benefit the mass of the people and he hoped they would be able to work together to attain their common objects.

Principal Graham, of Saskatchewan College, also spoke and told of the work that was being done by the institution, of which he is the head. While the farmers were raising wheat, cattle and hogs, the college was endeavoring to raise men (applause), and if any of the farmers present entrusted their boys to the care of the college, they would give them a training that would fit them to go back to the farm and become useful citizens.

## Hon. President's Message

Honorary President E. N. Hopkins was next called upon and was given a rousing reception. Mr. Hopkins said there were two classes of farmers present, the old line, men like himself, who had settled in the country years ago, and the younger generation, who had come to the West in recent years. To the first class he had nothing to say because he could not tell them anything and if he could they would not believe him (laughter). To the younger men, however, he felt that he had a message. Many people were trying to give a reason for the present financial stringency. Some people said it was the Balkan war

and others gave various reasons. These causes had, no doubt, contributed to the result, but the great reason was a different attitude and ambition on the part of the people. When he drove an ox team from Brandon to Moose Jaw, thirty years ago, he found along the route scattered settlements of people whose great ambition was to produce sufficient from their farms to build themselves houses and gather about them buildings and stock which they needed to provide for the comfort of their families. But what was the ambition of the homesteader today? His idea seemed to be to get his patent and then mortgage his land to get some money to buy town lots or to use for some other speculative purpose. There were three ways of making money, by capital, by labor and by accident, and the trouble was that in the last few years too many people had been making money by accident. Now the bubble had burst and the farmers would find that the only way they could get rich was to work on their farms and produce wealth from the soil (applause).

J. A. Maharg then gave the president's annual address, which is given verbatim on another page.

## DIRECTORS' REPORT

F. M. Gates submitted the report of the directors and executive as follows: To the President of the Saskatchewan Grain Growers' association,  
Sir:—Your directors beg to make the

following report dealing with both directors and executive meetings for submission to the convention.

Following last year's convention, we met in Saskatoon, under your chairmanship. We confirmed Mr. Green in the position of secretary-treasurer and elected three of our number to act on the executive. After considerable discussion it was resolved that the organization required the services of an organizer in addition to the secretary-treasurer, but later on it was decided to appropriate \$100 to each district director for organization work, and the original motion to appoint an organizer was not repealed, but left to the executive to deal with, it was not acted upon, partly on account of the difficulty of securing an acceptable person, and partly, perhaps, on account of the expense. Other matters were discussed and detail business attended to.

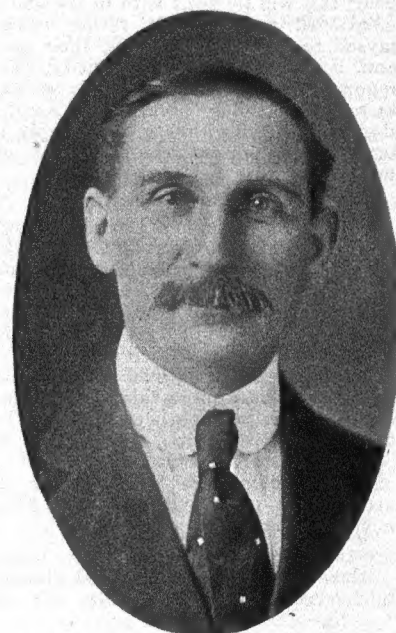
An executive meeting was held in Moose Jaw on March 13, when a great deal of correspondence and detail matter was dealt with and the instruction of the convention re investigating the sample market question was taken up, and it was arranged that the president, vice-president, secretary and F. M. Gates should prepare papers on the subject to be considered at the next meeting.

## Attend Grain Commission

The next meeting was held at Saskatoon for the purpose of meeting the Grain Commission and stating the views of the executive re the sample market and interior elevators. The papers on the sample market, prepared by the members previously mentioned, were considered

and we proceeded to the hall to attend the Grain Commission sittings, which were advertised for two days. Upon our arrival there we found that arrangements had been cancelled and that after holding one session on the morning of the first day, the commission was proceeding to Prince Albert to view an elevator site.

We then came to an arrangement to meet the Commission in Winnipeg and we appointed our president and secretary to prepare a statement embodying our views and to attend the Winnipeg session to present the same. This was done



FRED W. GREEN

Secretary-Treasurer Saskatchewan G.G.A.

and the circulation of that statement in printed form and the comments of the press do away with the necessity of comment here.

On October 14, a meeting was held at Moose Jaw, principally in order to pass the resolution regarding the sample market, with which you are familiar, and miscellaneous business was also attended to.

In November, on the day following the Co-operative Elevator meeting in Regina, we had a good meeting, sixteen of us being present, and various matters were discussed. President Maharg, Secretary Green and Dr. Flatt were appointed to form the delegation to Ottawa. Late in the afternoon we proceeded to the Parliament Buildings to interview the government. We were received by four cabinet members and presented the resolutions passed by the last convention referring to provincial questions, on which Mr. Gates will give a verbal report. Another meeting was held in Regina on January 14 of this year to make final arrangements for this convention. A program was drawn up and agreed to and certain members assigned to certain details. Several questions were discussed, including the co-operative movement, which will be a prominent feature of this convention. Two members were appointed to investigate a proposition looking to the provision of fruit to our members at a lower price, and whose report is ready for consideration. On February 9 and 10, the days before the convention, the directors have been in session settling up various matters, and in a regularly constituted meeting passed the accounts for the past year, the auditors' and other reports.

Respectfully submitted for the directors,  
Feb. 11, 1914. F. M. GATES

## Meeting With Government

Mr. Gates, in reporting upon the meeting of the directors with the members of the Provincial Government, said the first question taken up was the resolution adopted at the Saskatoon convention

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## OUR CO-OPERATIVE NUMBER

Following the practice of several years past The Guide will publish a special co-operative number on March 18. In this special number we want to publish a complete report of the co-operative buying done by every local farmers' association in the three provinces. In past years the reports received have not been very satisfactory in number, but this year we do not want to miss one. These reports may have been published in part in the provincial sections of The Guide before. We want them again this time and in full. As a special inducement to local secretaries or others in charge of co-operative buying we are going to distribute \$50 in prizes for the best reports received. The prizes will not go to those who have done the largest amount of buying, but will be awarded for the best report received, even the total purchases may be small. The prizes will be as follows:—

FIRST .....	\$10.00
SECOND .....	8.00
THREE PRIZES .....	5.00 each
FOUR PRIZES .....	2.00 "
FIVE PRIZES .....	1.00 "

These reports to be counted in The Guide competition must be in The Guide office not later than March 6. If they are here earlier so much the better. They must be written plainly and on one side of the paper only and, in addition to being a general report, must contain the following information and answer the following questions as far as is possible:—

- 1—The total amount of purchases, specifying whether coal, apples, lumber, fence or whatever it may be.
  - 2—The cost of each shipment laid down at the local shipping point.
  - 3—The name of the firm from whom purchased.
  - 4—As nearly as possible the exact saving effected on each shipment by buying co-operatively instead of buying individually at the ordinary retail prices.
  - 5—Whether or not it is your policy in making co-operative purchases to deal with those firms who advertise in The Guide; state the views of the farmers in your locality on the matter of supporting The Guide by purchasing from Guide advertisers.
  - 6—How has co-operative buying affected your association?
  - 7—Do you allow non-members of your association to participate in your co-operative purchases?
  - 8—Are your co-operative purchases made cash in advance, draft attached to bill of lading or on time?
  - 9—Is the secretary or member who collects the money and makes the payments bonded?
  - 10—Have you an incorporated co-operative society? If so, give the report of its work; if not, is there a desire to incorporate such a society?
- It will not require much time to answer all these questions and give a complete and comprehensive report on the co-operative buying done by each local association. These reports will be of immense value and will do more to stimulate co-operation than almost anything else. It will require not more than an hour's work to prepare these reports in most cases. It is to be hoped we will receive several hundred reports.

THE GRAIN GROWERS' GUIDE,  
Winnipeg, Man.



# President Maharg's Address

The following inspiring message was delivered by President J. A. Maharg at the opening of the Thirteenth Annual Convention of the Saskatchewan Grain Growers' Association at Moose Jaw, Feb. 11, 1914

Gentlemen:—

It is indeed a great pleasure to me to be permitted to read to you my third annual address at this the thirteenth annual convention of our Association. The past year, in so far as our Association is concerned, has been very successful. The reports that will be presented to you will show that we are greater in numbers and stronger financially than we ever were in the history of our organization. These reports will also show that a way has been opened for future developments, equal to, if not greater than, anything we have yet attempted.

It is not my intention to deal with the work of the Association during the past year; this will be dealt with in the above-mentioned reports; but rather confine myself to present conditions, their cause and, if possible, suggest a remedy. This report is directed to the public at large as well as to the members of our Association, as I believe they are as deeply interested in present conditions as our members.

## Saskatchewan Leads America

Two years ago when I read to you a portion of my address, which stated that Saskatchewan had produced the second largest quantity of wheat of any state or province on this continent, you applauded loudly and justly so. The opinion was expressed then that it would not be long before Saskatchewan would attain the premier position in this respect. Not only has this position been attained, but the latest statistics show that our province has produced a larger amount of all grains combined than that of any other state or province in the above mentioned area.

## Why are Farmers Poor?

Altho the present year yielded a bountiful harvest of excellent quality over the

## FLASHES FROM AN ILLUMINATING ADDRESS

"We are greater in numbers and stronger financially than we ever were in the history of our organization."

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"Altho the present year yielded a bountiful harvest of excellent quality we are forced to admit that the financial condition of a large number of the farmers of Saskatchewan is very unsatisfactory."

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"Almost invariably the cases of real hardship which I have investigated have been caused by the implement firms forcing collections."

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"The first and greatest essential of all is the spirit of true co-operation."

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"What is wanted is a general recognition by all classes of the importance of agriculture—making it an occupation that will draw people to it instead of driving them away, as is being done at present."

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"Our Association, which is composed of almost every nationality in the world, and taking no cognizance whatever of race or creed, is doing the work which no other organization can do so effectively."

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"I am hoping to hear this convention referred to in the future as the Mutual Self-Help Convention, because of the spirit of true co-operation generated here and spread by the delegates all over the province."

greater portion of our province, we are forced to admit that the financial condition of a large number of the farmers of Saskatchewan is very unsatisfactory. This condition should not be allowed to exist, and would not exist were justice and fair-dealing the rule of all those with whom the farmers must do business. What is the cause? The reasons given for the above mentioned financial condition are many and varied. Our political system, the fiscal policy of the Dominion,

the high cost of living, the high cost of production, faulty credit systems, militarism, cost of armaments, etc., are each given by various authorities as the particular cause of the trouble. While there is no doubt some of the foregoing causes have contributed to the present condition indirectly, yet I do not think we can charge any one of them with being the sole cause.

## Implement Firms to Blame

Personally I believe, and I say it with-

out any hesitation whatever, that the more direct causes have been, easy money, or its equivalent, which means easy credit in any form; speculation, which has caused inflated values; and last, but by no means least, in so far as the farmers are concerned, the system which the implement firms doing business in our province have adopted. My position in our movement, especially in connection with the Co-operative Elevator Company, brings me in closer touch with the financial position of the farmers than possibly that of any other individual in Saskatchewan. I have made careful enquiry along this line, and almost invariably the cases of real hardship that I have investigated have been caused by the implement firms forcing collections. I consider they have taken a very unfair position in this matter—a position which has cost the farmers of this province at least \$6,000,000 on the price received for their grain, as well as being indirectly responsible for throwing thousands of men out of employment. This is a question which is of vital interest to every resident of our province, regardless of their occupation, as the prosperity of all is absolutely dependent upon the prosperity of the farmers.

## Hasty Marketing and Unemployment

In my address two years ago you will remember I stated that should any year's crop be practically all marketed during a few months in the fall, the result would be that thousands employed by the transportation systems would lose their employment. The possible condition outlined then is an actuality now, and because of its far-reaching effect, it is essential that all citizens of the province, whatever their occupation, should join hands in an effort to overcome the difficulty.

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# Secretary Green's Report

The following report was presented before the Saskatchewan Grain Growers' Convention by Secretary-Treasurer F. W. Green.

Membership increased, and over \$24,000 cash reserve—Busy year's work reviewed

Secretary F. W. Green submitted the financial statement, duly audited by Sterling and Rankin, chartered accountants. He also read the following report:

You will note district 1 has 14 locals; total fees collected, \$201; the cake going to Nary with \$43 fees. District No. 2 has 17 locals; total collected, \$216; the highest amount received being from Midale, \$41. District 3 has 22 locals, sending in a total of \$325.25, the highest being Redvers, with Wauchope and Alameda running closely with \$38 and \$31, respectively. It must be remembered, however, that Carnduff has about 30 life members, which would bring them in the running. District 4 has 13 locals. Total sum sent in is \$191, with Fillmore topping the list with \$53.50. District 5 has 16 Associations. Total fees, \$187.75, with Neidpath topping the list with \$41. District 6 is the smallest in the family, having only 11 Associations. Total fees, \$89.10. It will be noted this is possibly the oldest district on the C.P.R. main line, where the Association was born. Three of our directors live in close proximity to each other. The highest sum received from any Association in this district is from Wapella, \$10.50. District 7 is one of the large districts, it being combined with 9. In this district there are 37 locals and total fees sent in \$594, with Rocanville topping the list with \$76, and Mt. View a close second with \$53.50. District 8 has 16 locals. The highest fees were received from Simpson, \$27.50, with Bethune following close with \$26.50. District 9 contains 32 locals, with Floral topping the list with \$34.50. Total amount \$382.25. Salcoats \$27. Salcoats, however, has a considerable number of life members. District 10 has 17 locals. Total number of fees, \$197.25; Preeceville leading with \$22. District 11, one of the largest groups, containing 47 locals, received

\$608.25; Galivan topping the list with \$34.50, and Goodlands following close with \$31.50, and Newlands with \$32. District 12 contains 16 locals, the total number of fees received being \$210.25,

the way being led by Star City, \$72.05, one of the great movers in co-operation. District 13 is the largest group, containing 71 locals. The total number of fees received being \$17 short of \$1,000. The

largest sum was from Cairnsview, with \$43.50, chased hard by Netherhill, \$32.50, with Gledhow, Fertile Valley, Tyner and Rutland chasing them hard. District 14—main line westward and a new country—the total amount received was \$578.75. The highest sum was from Gull Lake, with \$63.50. Vanguard came lively after them with \$40.50, and Lancer and Flax Hill chasing them hard for top positions. District 15—South country—contains 30 locals, with \$472 fees sent in. The highest was received from Jesmond, \$37.50, followed by Aneroid with \$35, and Acme \$32, and several others chasing them hard.

## Four Largest Locals

The four locals sending in the highest list of fees are: Rocanville, district 7, \$76; Star City, district 12, \$72.25; Gull Lake, district 14, \$63.50, and Fillmore, district 4, \$53.50.

## Large Cash Reserves

In addition to this cash balance of \$11,220.18, we have our life membership fund amounting to \$9,423.85; our office and other equipment is worth \$1,500, receipts during 1913 over expenditures \$1,500, making our total assets \$26,644.03.

As you know, our Central Association receives 50 cents per member per annum for the service it renders. If that work is done in such a way that, altogether apart from the results obtained, the 50 cents is still left in the treasury, that would be 100 per cent. profit, would it not? If there was \$1.00 left in the treasury, it would be 200 per cent.; if \$1.50, it would be 300 per cent., and if \$2.00, it would be 400 per cent. In such a case it would seem to be a good business proposition for every member that is in good standing in this Association, and that is the case, as we now have

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## Financial Statement of Saskatchewan G.G.A.

For Year Ended December 31, 1913

RECEIPTS		EXPENDITURES	
Membership Fees	\$5,428.25	Salaries	\$3,005.00
Grant (Grain Growers' Grain Co.)	1,000.00	Automobile	713.65
Grant (Provincial Govern.)	500.00	Delegation Expenses	564.35
Interest	928.55	Printing	529.85
Buttons	428.95	Office Expenses, Postage and Express	394.61
Emergency	382.03	Organization Expenses	407.50
Literature	319.02	Convention Expenses	384.35
Life Membership (A. W. Irwin's Loan Returned)	188.00	Rent	500.00
Life Membership	818.95	Miscellaneous	221.25
Membership Tickets	116.52	Annual Reports	230.00
Miscellaneous	17.85	Buttons	200.00
Stationery	7.15	Directors' Meetings	96.85
Organization	9.00	Convention Reports	77.00
Interest on Emergency Acc.	80.90	Telephones	63.10
		Executive Expenses	53.85
		Badges	33.00
		Commission on Loan (A. W. Irwin)	30.00
		Business Tax	23.86
		Life Membership (A. W. Irwin, Bond)	20.00
		Automobile Repairs	19.20
		Automobile License	10.00
		Exchange	1.30
		Post Office Box Rent	2.50
		Cash on Hand	\$17,381.02
		Balance at Hitchcock and McCulloch's	2.58
		Current Account	\$9,289.55
		Emergency Account	2,139.85
Balance from 1912	\$ 9,925.19		\$11,429.40
Receipts 1913	8,676.01		
	9,925.19		
Expenditures 1913	\$18,601.20	Less Outstanding Checks (Schedule 1)	211.80
	7,381.02		\$11,220.18
	\$11,220.18		

Certified correct subject to the fact that all transactions for the year have been recorded on the books of the Association.

STIBLING and RANKIN, Chartered Accountants.



# Farming for Profit

A Department Devoted to the  
Practical Problems of Farmer and Stockman

## SASKATCHEWAN'S \$500,000 LOAN IN AID OF LIVE STOCK INDUSTRY

J. C. Smith, live stock commissioner for the province of Saskatchewan, has prepared and issued regulations under which a \$500,000 loan, authorized at the last session of the legislature, will be expended, and while we have not space in The Guide to go fully into the conditions and general regulations of the loan, the following is a short synopsis of the main features of this regulation:

Pure-bred males and high-grade females of the following classes of stock will be supplied: Cattle, Sheep and Swine. Males—Ages, cattle from one to five years, sheep one to four years, and swine one to three years. Females—Ages, cattle up to seven years, sheep up to four years, and swine up to three years. The breeds in cattle will be: Beef—Shorthorns, Herefords and Aberdeen-Angus. Dairy—Holstein and Ayrshire. Dual purpose—Shorthorns and Red Polled. Swine—Berkshires, Yorkshires and Tamworths. Sheep—Any of the Down breeds and Leicesters.

Animals of only one breed of dairy or dual purpose and one of beef cattle, and only two breeds of sheep or swine will be supplied to any one district or Association, and the breed may be determined by the department, according to the class of grade female stock already in the district.

In no case will the animals be guaranteed, the department acting only as an intermediary between the buyer and seller, has to accept the statements of the vendor, and especially in the case of grade animals can obtain no guarantee and so can give none. The animals purchased have been selected by competent men and are the best procurable for the money expended. In a case of pure-breds the pedigrees will be transferred to the new owner, except in the case of credit sales, when copies of the certificates only will be delivered to the purchasers until the animals are fully settled for.

The department, while exercising every care in the selection of a shipment, will not be responsible for the animals after they are laid down at the purchaser's nearest railway station. Every animal will be tagged, branded or marked in some permanent way. All applications for breeding cattle for 1914 delivery must be made and in the hands of the Live Stock Commissioner by May 1, 1914. Applications after that date will positively not be accepted. Applications for both sexes of sheep and swine only will be received up to October 15, 1914, but not later.

### To Handle Range Females

The department will, in all probability, handle a large number of range females, and unless otherwise stipulated the grades of the beef breeds may be range cattle. These are on an average 50 per cent. of better conformation than the ordinary farm cow, but are not sufficiently docile for hand milking. Calves, however, brought up under farm conditions will prove docile. All cattle imported from the East will have been tested and found free from tuberculosis. Copy of chart signed by qualified veterinarian will accompany each animal. All animals purchased will be in sound health, but not guaranteed. Male animals of breeding age will, on production of proof as non-breeders, provided they have received all the necessary care and attention, be replaced upon payment of freight, feed and attendance, together with charges of second animal from point of purchase to destination.

### Credit Regulations

In order to receive stock under the provision of any credit option a farmer must be:

- 1—A shareholder or patron of a government operated creamery, or
- 2—A member of an agricultural society, or
- 3—A member of a Grain Growers' Association, or
- 4—A shareholder of a live stock im-

provement or marketing association, organized and incorporated under the Agricultural Co-operative Association Act.

In creamery districts no cattle will be supplied except to a shareholder in the creamery and then upon the recognizance of the Creamery Association.

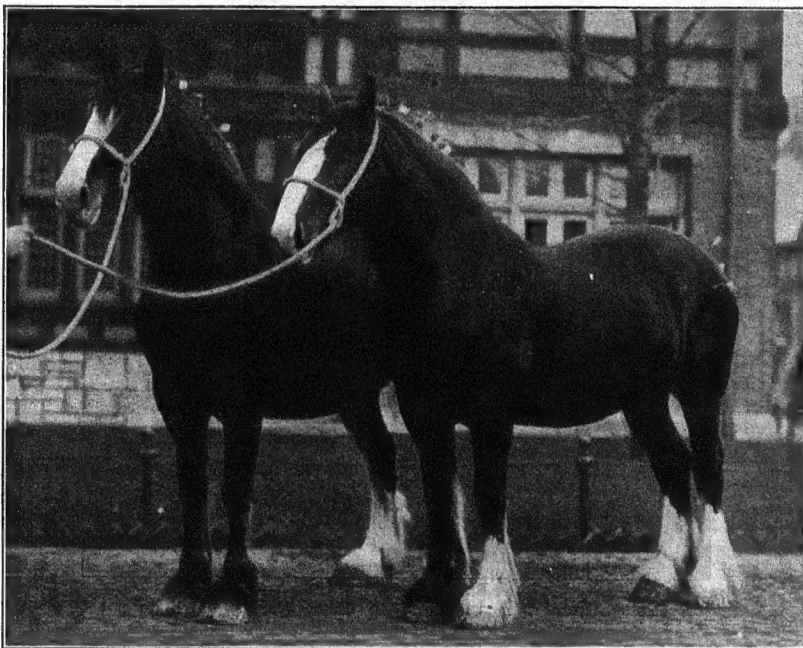
### Security for Stock

There will be taken in connection with every sale a lien on the said live stock and upon the progeny of female animals so purchased, which lien shall be so drawn up and worded that it will remain valid until all of the live stock which it covers has been fully paid for. Under such agreement the Minister of Agriculture may resume possession of the live stock provided he deems such live stock is not receiving proper care and attention. In a case of grade females sold on credit terms, no less than eighteen cattle, seventy-five sheep or twenty swine will be shipped to any one point unless the purchaser agrees in writing to pay all express or freight, feed and attendance

Animals supplied on credit must not be sold or transferred without the written consent of the Deputy Minister of Agriculture unless such animals have been fully paid for.

### Right to Inspect

The department reserves the right to inspect all animals supplied on credit terms. Official inspectors will be appointed and empowered to make such inspections, and purchasers will be expected to assist the inspectors in their work in every way. If it should be proved to the Minister of Agriculture that the animals supplied are not receiving the best care and attention the department reserves the right to resume possession of the stock and in this event will make an equitable financial adjustment with the first purchaser thus disposed. All applications for stock on credit must be approved of by the directors and must bear the signature of the president and secretary of the organization of which the applicant is a member



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charges, in cash, upon the arrival of the animals at his nearest express office or railway station. Notes may be redeemed at any time previous to falling due if so desired by the purchaser, but no rebate of principal or interest accruing at the date can be made.

### Terms of Payment

In the case of credit sales settlement must be made on the following terms:

Cash percentage according to respective options to be forwarded to the office of the Live Stock Commissioner at the time of application. Checks must be marked and made payable to the Department of Agriculture, Regina. No others will be accepted.

A note for the balance, containing a lien on all the animals supplied, and these notes will be payable as follows: Half at the end of the current year and half at the end of the next succeeding twelve months. In addition to the above patrons of a government operated creamery will be required to sign an order authorizing the dairy branch to deduct the full amount of their alternate creamery check or such sums as will approximate half of the amounts due from time to time for cream or their dairy products supplied to the creamery by such patrons. Deductions will be continuous until the entire debt is liquidated. These checks must represent as nearly as possible 50 per cent. of the total monthly shipments. Previous to supplying animals on credit terms the department will satisfy itself that the applicant is in a position to adequately look after these animals.

recommending the applicant as a responsible person to whom stock should be supplied. Stock will be supplied only under the following options. Applications made under any other conditions cannot be considered.

### Option 1—Cash Basis (See Regulations 1-15)

(1) Under this option any number of cattle (including calves), sheep, swine or poultry may be procured providing that the accompanying application form is properly filled in and signed, but no application for less than two cattle, sheep or swine will be considered.

(2) Upon receipt by the Live Stock Commissioner of properly prepared application, stating the class and number of stock desired, information as to the probable cost of stock, freight, etc., will be supplied.

(3) Upon receipt by the Live Stock Commissioner of a marked check in favor of the Department of Agriculture covering the estimated purchase price of the animals plus required allowance for freight, feed and attendance, etc., from nearest available point of purchase, the stock will be purchased and shipped to the applicant in due course.

(4) A statement will be issued to each purchaser after delivery of stock showing the extra cost of the animals and the expenditures for freight, feed and attendance, etc., from purchasing point to destination. Any unexpended balance of the purchaser's remittance will promptly be refunded to him.

(5) Prospective purchasers will be re-

quired to guarantee that animals purchased by them are to be used for breeding purposes. Animals purchased under this option cannot be resold within twelve months of purchase without special permission.

### Option 2—Part Cash, Part Credit—For Grade Females Only (See Regulations 1-32 inclusive)

(1) Credit will not be given for more than 50 per cent. of the total cost of animals supplied under this option.

(2) The amount of credit granted to any one individual or firm under this option shall not exceed five hundred dollars.

### Option 3—Part Cash, Part Credit—For Grade Females Only (See Regulations 1-32 inclusive)

(1) Credit shall not be given for more than 75 per cent. of the total cost of animals supplied under this option. This option shall be subject to all general and credit regulations.

(2) The amount of credit granted under this option to any one individual or firm shall not exceed three hundred dollars.

(3) Creamery or local association to endorse notes of purchasers under this option if required.

(4) Department to be satisfied that the applicants are unable to comply with terms of options one or two.

### Option 4—Cash Basis—Pure Bred Males Only (See Regulations 1-15 inclusive)

(1) This option shall be subject to all general regulations.

(2) Under this option not more than two bulls, five rams, or two boars will be supplied to any one firm or individual or to the members of any one organization.

(3) The officials of the department, before supplying sires under this option, will satisfy themselves that same are necessary in the district in which the applicant resides.

(4) A statement will be issued after delivery to each purchaser showing the exact cost of the animals themselves as well as that of freight, feed and attendance, etc., from purchasing point to destination.

### Option 5—Part Cash, Part Credit—For Pure Bred Males Only (Regulations 1-32 inclusive)

Not more than 50 per cent. credit.

(1) These notes may be payable as follows: One-half at the end of the current year and one-half at the end of the next succeeding twelve months, but shall not cover any longer period than thus indicated.

Under this option not more than one bull, three rams or one boar will be supplied to any firm or individual or to the members of any one organization.

For fuller particulars regarding these regulations a post card to the office of the Live Stock Commissioner at Regina will bring printed copy and all particulars.

## ONE OR TWO LITTERS PER YEAR By W. F. Stevens

Live Stock Commissioner for Alberta

The question of how many litters to raise per year is a perennial one and apparently no nearer settlement than it was half a century ago. All systems have their advantages and disadvantages. Climatic conditions, equipment and the amount of care the swine grower is prepared to give to his animals, will determine the system he should adopt.

One litter per year with mature sows permits of conducting the business with but little expenditure for housing. Where it is adopted, the sows should not farrow until late in the spring or early in summer. The weather is then warm and there need be but little outlay for shelter. There is at that time an abundance of succulent feed and if the sows are allowed the run of a pasture lot, they will keep themselves in health, their milk will be cool and wholesome, and the death rate among the young pigs will be small. The pigs may be permitted to follow the sow for an indefinite period, and they will get a

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# The Country Homemakers

Conducted by Francis Marion Beynon.

## HAVE YOU SENT FOR YOUR NEW SEED CATALOG?

I hold no brief for the seed firms of this or any other city, but I have a keen interest in the charm and comfort that can be added to country life by the possession of a good garden, and I know that it is not too early to begin if you anticipate raising your own tomato, cabbage, cauliflower and celery plants, as we used to do when we were on the farm.

We planted the seeds in boxes in the house in February and transplanted them once or perhaps twice before they were moved out to the hotbed in April, and ours used to be regarded as one of the good gardens in the district.

Perhaps some of you who have cold houses will imagine that you can't keep plants in them, but we have not pioneered in this country without having lived in some very cold houses, and yet most winters we kept house plants by covering them up at night with many thicknesses of paper and shawls. So we did with the seedlings and they were big hardy plants when they were set out in the garden.

There is no denying that a garden is a lot of work and it is not work that can be done fitfully with good results, but it surely repays the trouble many times over in the addition to the bill of fare of the farm table.

We used to have, off a moderate sized garden, lettuce, radishes, peas, beans, parsnips, carrots, turnips, celery, cabbage, cauliflower, sweet and pop corn, tomatoes, cucumbers, musk melon, red, white and black currants, gooseberries and a few strawberries, tho they had not begun to bear very luxuriantly when we left the farm.

With so many demands on her time, the country housewife often feels that she has no leisure for ornamental gardening, but there is one phase of this that takes care of itself after the first year or two, and that is the perennial flower or shrub. Among the most easily grown shrubs are the purple lilac, certain kinds of willow and the honeysuckle, and if I were building up a home for myself, I would not rest until I had some of all three planted about the house.

In this connection I would like to mention also a hardy perennial flower that will add cheer to any garden and provide an abundance of cutting flowers for the house, and that is the goldenglow. It grows about six or seven feet high and bears a profusion of bright yellow flowers, about as large in circumference as a small tea cup. If planted in a situation where it is sheltered from the North winds and gets the South sun, it is easily grown and requires little attention.

It is not the intention of this editorial, however, to elaborate on the possibilities of gardening, but merely to stimulate an interest in this important branch of farm work, and if it succeeds in so doing, the writer will be happy.

FRANCIS MARION BEYNON.

## A NEW SOCIETY ORGANIZED

The ladies of the Bagot district met on January 24 and organized a society, which they named "The Grain Growers' Guild Society." Their motto is "Mutual Benefit and Sociability." Their object is to meet every week and help each other, make and mend, or any other domestic difficulty that might arise.

There are now twelve members and a president, vice-president, secretary and six directors, who were elected as follows: Mrs. A. Ingleton, President; Mrs. Radcliffe, Vice-President; Mrs. Walden, Secretary. We believe this will be a successful organization and hope it will be followed by other districts.

R. E. WALDEN.

## AN INDIGNANT MALE ADVOCATE OF WOMAN SUFFRAGE

Dear Miss Beynon:—Your page in The Guide being a woman's page, I pause at the threshold of this letter with more or less of uncertainty, as I must plead guilty to being a member of the sex that for ages has wronged womankind.

However, I sincerely believe that women should have the franchise. Not because we will find therein the panacea for all the ills of the nation, but because it is

just and right. There is no earthly reason why women should not have a voice in the making of the laws that govern them, rather than leaving the questions to be settled by those who will sell their vote to the highest bidder.

It is disgusting in the extreme to sit quietly by and see the vilest wretches of humanity walk up and vote—parasites of society whose homes are where night overtakes them, and whose sole ambition is to get sober that they may get drunk again, who taint the ballots by their very touch, yet one's own wife or mother must stay at home and wash the dishes so that her home doesn't become undermined. The only time I feel like using profane language is when I think of the awful injustice of the whole situation.

As I see my own little babe nestling to her mother's breast, where her little life is sustained and nourished, and know that according to law her mother has no prior rights over her; that our laws of justice permit me to own that little lump of sweet humanity, body and soul, to give away or dispose of as I might choose, the same as I could do with a cow or horse, without even considering the feelings or consent of her mother—

in the Country Homemakers page. After carefully reading your page of January 28, I saw a letter written by English Rose and, if I understand it correctly, she has the idea that when a man takes for himself a wife, she is servant and he master. Now that is not true. If women only took the trouble to think, they could plainly see that no women work their finger-ends to the bone, even if their husbands would allow them to. My, what a howl would be raised among her immediate friends if such goings-on were allowed.

And even supposing that wives support the family and hired men and keep the farm out of financial difficulties, whose fault is it? For instance, when a young man of twenty-one years of age and up goes out into the world to make his way, he by chance meets a young lady. Usually an acquaintance springs up between them, he meets her at church, at concerts, at dances, at which she actually puts herself in his way with the idea of his proposing to her. And on an average of ten years the world fares badly with them. The neighbors around say, "God pity his poor wife, working to death for his good. What fools women are to get married

## IS MARRIAGE A TEST OF COURAGE? (In the February Number of the Delin-eator)

7,226,000 American men between the ages of twenty and forty-four are unmarried.

A very large percentage of them are more than twenty-five years old. Five hundred thousand additional bachelors are of ages between forty-five and fifty-four. "The Human Factor," published by the Equitable Life Assurance Society, says that 5,000,000 of these are healthy, normal, eligible men. This company has access to accurate figures, and it says further that:

"Comparing the death rate of unmarried with that of married men, we get the following startling results:

	Death Rate
Unmarried Men	
Ages 20-29.....	57% greater
Ages 30-39.....	119% greater
Ages 40-49.....	105% greater

So apparently millions would rather die than marry!

What is worse, they would rather die than support the 7,000,000 American women who work outside the home.

Doubtless a certain percentage of these working women prefer to remain single. But certainly most of them yearn for homes of their own, and babies. Does this situation argue a kind of inverted cowardice in men?

One is reminded of the lion-tamer who quarreled with his wife. He fled from her presence. After an all-night search she found him asleep with the lions. Grasping the bars of the cage, she shook them until he woke. Then, looking him squarely in the face, she hissed the one word:

"Coward!"

In women also is a kind of inverted cowardice. But how different! They may run from mice, and scream at the thought of burglars, but they don't shirk matrimony. Yet eighteen per cent. more married women than single ones die between the ages of twenty and twenty-nine.

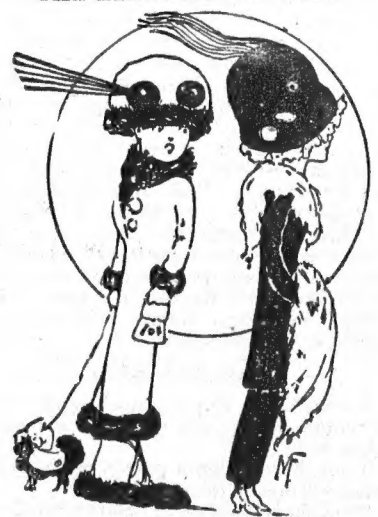
After twenty-nine their chances over unmarried women increase rapidly. From thirty to thirty-nine years it is seventeen per cent. greater; from forty to forty-nine thirty-seven per cent. greater; from sixty to sixty-nine thirty-two per cent. greater.

When a man tells a girl he'd die for her, is he merely trying to trick her into a marriage to save his own precious life?

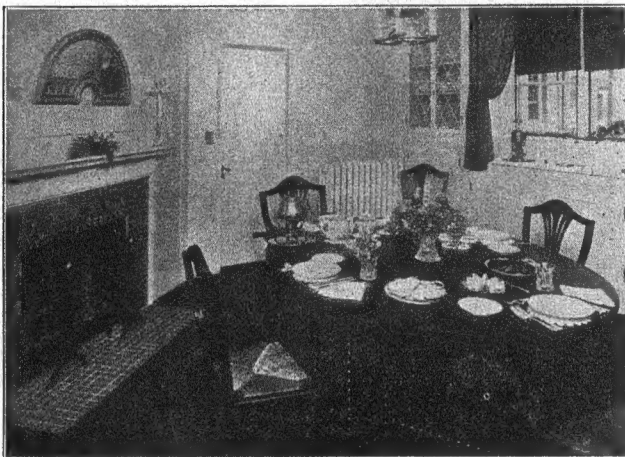
Or, when one proposes marriage to a girl, is it proof that she has so completely charmed away his fears that he really wants to live for her?

And the 500,000 bachelors who have so far escaped death that they are now between forty-five and fifty-four? Their chances have come to be less than half those of the married men of the same age. How comes it that no women have come into their lives with sufficient attraction to make their selfish old hearts yearn toward the safe anchorage of matrimony?

## THE ETERNAL FEMININE



Both—"I'm afraid she looks more stylish than I do!"



A Pretty Diningroom with built-in China Closets which do not obtrude themselves upon one's attention

well, isn't it an awful insult, then, to hand to the mother a handful of dirty, threadbare arguments that are about as tasteless as sawdust to her? And isn't it about time that we men acknowledge that it was a woman who suffered that we might live and become a unit of this great universe?

Men, don't you know that the present laws of our country are aimed at your mother and the mother of your children? Are you going to continue being unjust because you don't like to relinquish your authority over the best earthly friend that you ever had? Are you going to stick to a lot of worn-out prejudices that have become extremely nauseating? Are you content to adhere to a lot of silly arguments that mean nothing but the drowning of your consciences?—arguments that have for a result the trailing in the mire of oppression the very woman who paid the price of your admission into this world. Don't you see that the longer you hold out, the greater becomes the injustice?

I feel satisfied that our greatest drawbacks are to be found in the persistent unreasonableness of many of our statesmen. If the sunshine of fair play could only penetrate their pusillanimity, what a change there would be.

DUMPY.

## MEN WOULD HAVE TO USE FORCE WITH WOMEN

Dear Miss Beynon:—I may as well confess before I go any farther that I have come to offer a kindly criticism on votes for women in letters I have read

to men before they know who they are."

Of course their downfall is due to the man—his wife did all she could to keep things going. I myself think if women had votes, those who wanted to see their name in print and had nothing to do would go and cast their vote. Any sensible woman would be home attending to her domestic affairs and let her husband attend to the political end of matters.

It is true that women's moral standard is as low as any man's, and I think votes for women would make matters worse rather than to better them. For instance, if a man knew his wife would oppose him at an election, he would use force to keep her away from the polling booth, hence there you have a quarrel directly.

In another letter I saw an argument used that the jails were full of criminals, of which very few were women. Now what is the reason? I am sure that if women were confronted with chances of burglary and murder, like men, they would not be such a pious bunch. Women are going the wrong way to gain their own ends. Smashing windows, burning buildings, blowing up ship-yards, is very sensible indeed. But if a little common sense were used they might reach the goal some day.

I know this is not a well written article and may read rather rough to some people, but it is my first attempt at writing to your paper and I hope I may come again. Wishing you every success in your work, Miss Beynon, I will close.

SILENT READER.



**Directors:**

Peter Wright, Myrtle; R. M. Wilson, Marringhurst; P. D. McArthur, Longburn; Frank Simpson, Shoal Lake; W. H. English, Harding; R. J. Avison, Gilbert Plains.

**TO LOCAL SECRETARIES**

Quite a number of our secretaries have at different times expressed their desire to see accounts of the doings of their own and other branches thruout the province. We would like to take this opportunity of drawing the attention of all our secretaries to the fact that the conducting of this page and making it a success is to a great extent in their hands. We strive at all times to use all the space at our disposal, viz., a full page, but at times find it very difficult on account of the secretaries not sending in accounts of their doings. If they would make it a point to send in a report of any meeting that was held at their point that they thought would be of interest to others it would be willingly published, however short the account might be. Accounts of meetings where the organizer has been, or one of the Central directors, should be sent in at once, as it is far better for the report to come direct from the branch than for the person who has addressed a meeting to have to write a report, as it is only natural the speakers themselves do not care to make a write up of their own meetings, and therefore do not make the report look as enthusiastic as when it comes from the secretary. Accounts of co-operative buying, socials, concerts and many other items of interest will be gladly accepted. We want the co-operation of all our secretaries in making the Manitoba section of The Guide a success, and we can do so providing we get your help.

The secretary, R. McKenzie, addressed a meeting at Stonewall on Monday, February 9, but no doubt owing to the very cold weather the turnout was not very large. Mr. McCuish is spending the rest of the week addressing meetings at different points in the Stonewall district.

The secretary of Keyes branch, A. W. McGregor, writes that they have now forty-one members and expect some more. This is a very good showing for this branch as they were only organized last summer and have only a small area to work on. They have ordered a carload of cedar fence posts, and hope to have a co-operative store there soon.

**CO-OPERATION IN LUMBER**

The Grain Growers' movement has been gradually developing the co-operative spirit among the farmers and giving practical demonstration of the advantages of doing business on that principle. They are slowly getting into a position to supply their members with many of the commodities that are needed on the farm at prices that will help to make farm operations more profitable.

Concerns who have been watching this development closely and have seen it assuming practical shape are now entering the field. A prominent member of the Grain Growers' Association stated to the writer that within a week he had received circulars from the Grain Growers' Lumber Co., the Farmers' Lumber Co. and the Consumers' Lumber Co., all of Vancouver, offering to supply farmers with lumber in carload shipments at wholesale prices. Less than twelve months ago no lumber manufacturer would pretend to supply lumber to any consumer except thru the regular established retail dealers. The Grain Growers' Grain Company has recently made arrangements to supply Grain Growers' branches with lumber in carload shipments at a much lower price than they used to have to pay for it. Is this a scheme to head off The Grain Growers' Grain Company?

If any organization can sell commodities to farmers at a price cheaper than they have been accustomed to pay and deliver the goods satisfactorily, no objection can be raised. If the Grain Growers' methods of business can compel others to furnish a carload of lumber to farmers on a saving of \$100 to \$150 he has just that much more to spend on other commodities to improve his home and farm and he is that much better off. There are some institutions, however, in addition to offering their goods at reduced rates solicit the sale of stock in corporations that assume to be along co-operative lines. Many farmers in Canada and

U.S.A. have had some lamentable experience in associating themselves with some promoters, and it is very desirable that before any of our Associations invest in stock offered them by so called Co-operatives Associations they should make thorough investigation as to the character of the enterprises into which they are asked to invest their good money.

**SIGLUNES MAKES GOOD START**

Monday, January 26, was farmers' day at Siglunes, when over thirty farmers of this district gathered at the little country schoolhouse, some coming fifteen miles for the purpose of forming a branch of the Manitoba Grain Growers' Association. Mr. McCuish, the organizer, was present and addressed the meeting and answered many questions to the satisfaction of all. The chairman proposed that a vote be taken as to the wish of those present organizing a branch at Siglunes. All but two voted in favor and twenty-three paid their annual fees. C. Peterson was elected president and L. Rasmussen secretary-treasurer. J. Jonson, who was a member of Parliament in Iceland for twenty years, was then called upon to address the meeting in Icelandic. Mr. McCuish left here to go to The Narrows, twenty miles north-west, with a view to organizing there.

**NEW BRANCH AT THE NARROWS**

Mr. McCuish, the provincial organizer, spent a few days in this district with K. Goodman, and on January 29 held an organization meeting. Owing to the cold and stormy weather there were not many present, but an Association was organized, with K. Goodman as secretary-treasurer; the balance of the officers were to be elected at the next meeting. The prospects are very favorable for a good live branch at this point.

**SANFORD RE-ORGANIZED**

On February 7 twenty-five farmers of Sanford district met in the Sanford Town Hall to hear an address by Mr. McCuish, organizer for the Manitoba Grain Growers' Association, and G. J. Lovell, of the Hero Manufacturing Co. Mr. McCuish in a short address outlined the work the Grain Growers' Association and The Grain Growers' Grain Company were engaged in, and clearly showed the only way we could hope for better economic conditions was by the farmers building up their own Association and making themselves familiar with the principles of economic problems. He closed his address with an appeal to the farmers of Sanford to join with the farmers of other parts of Manitoba to help bring about the reforms too long delayed. It was then decided on a motion to re-organize. G. M. Virrall was elected president and F. Mansell secretary-treasurer.

**POPLAR POINT AT HOME**

The Grain Growers of Poplar Point held an "At Home" in the Parish Hall on Monday evening, February 9. W. A. Farmer, of Winnipeg, who spoke on Direct Legislation, was the guest of the evening. A well rendered program of songs and recitations, interspersed with instrumental music, whiled away the hours until the surprise of the evening came in the way of refreshments from the ladies.

A most enjoyable evening was spent by all and the unanimous verdict was that the Grain Growers of Poplar Point are "some people."

W. W. LANG,  
Cor. Sec.

**GOOD TOPICS AT ROARING RIVER**

The Roaring River Grain Growers' Association held their first meeting of the year in the schoolhouse on Friday, January 30, and altho there had been a snow storm raging for the best part of two days, we had a good muster of members and friends. President Spicer opened the proceedings with a very interesting address, after which various committees were appointed for the social and entertainment, which is to take place on the 6th of March. Next came the report of the delegates to the convention recently held in Brandon. A very instructive paper was then given by Vice-President Robt. Richardson, on "Why we

allow the present conditions to exist," which was followed by a discussion. "How best to increase our membership" is the title of the discussion for our next monthly meeting.

JOHN LIVESEY,  
Sec.-Treas.

**GOT DAMAGES FOR HORSES**

Chas. H. Freeman, secretary of the Elkhorn branch of the Manitoba Grain Growers' Association, writes that thru the efforts of the Grain Growers' Association J. Siple has been successful in securing \$300 of a claim for his horses being killed on the railroad track, which was very satisfactory to him.

**THREE WOMEN DIRECTORS**

We have just received the information that a new branch of the Grain Growers' Association has been formed in the neighborhood of Dauphin called the Mount View branch. A new departure in the matter of directors seems to have originated with this branch in the fact that three of the directors are men and three are women. This speaks well for the future prosperity of this branch, and also speaks well for the courage of these women who are thus willing to take their stand by their husbands' side and fight for better conditions for themselves and families. The following officers were elected: President, Alex. Paul; vice-president, Ed. McMartin; secretary-treasurer, Robt. Cardiff; directors, Mrs. McKerchar, A. Robb, Mrs. Searle, Jas. Scarff, H. McKerchar, Mrs. McMartin.

The following additional particulars of this organization meeting were sent by Secretary Cardiff:

On Friday, January 16, at the request of several men of the local district, Messrs. Fuller and Manns held a meeting at the Mount View school, which was largely attended by both sexes, and with the support given by the members of the sister Association from the Burrows district, and due to the local interest, a new Grain Growers' Association was formed with twenty members as a start. In the election of the board of directors great interest was shown by the ladies by taking an active part, not only in the work, but by becoming members of the board of directors. After the conclusion of official business Mr. Manns, representative of The Grain Growers' Grain Company, gave an address relative to the conditions of the company and the new binder twine proposition taken up by them, and quite a number of shares of The Grain Growers' Grain Company stock were placed as a direct result. Before dispersing a dainty lunch was served by the ladies, which was greatly enjoyed by all.

**MCCONNELL'S MOTTO—"UNION IS STRENGTH"**

A meeting of the McConnell Grain Growers' Association was held in the hall on January 31 at 11.30 a.m. President Parker in the chair. The report of the Brandon convention was presented by A. D. McConnell, delegate. A number of questions of vital interest to the farmers of the district were fully discussed and committees appointed to devise ways and means and report at the next meeting. The co-operative secretary laid before the meeting the plan of joining with Lavinia Grain Growers in purchasing a carload of salt, receiving six orders on the spot; in purchasing a carload of Sarnia Fence Co. wire, a small order going in for a start. The secretaries were instructed to get busy and all present were a committee to solicit new members. Six new members joined. Watch us grow.

HEUBERT F. POLLOCK,  
Sec.-Treas.

**GLENELLA AND CO-OPERATION**

Last fall we got in one car of apples and one car of flour and feed, which meant a great saving to the members. At the January meeting a committee of five were elected to get out a prospectus for a co-operative society, so as to build a warehouse in the village and as the society progresses to form a regular co-operative store. They are also trying to induce the Waldersee, Grasse River and the Bellhampton Society to co-operate with

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R. McKenzie	

them. So now, you members who have not yet joined, roll up and make the Glenella Co-operative Society a great success. You will never regret it.

**RIDING MOUNTAIN DANCE**

The concert and dance given under the auspices of the Riding Mountain Grain Growers' Association was a decided success. Great praise is due to the ladies who so ably responded to the call for help. The president, D. C. Tyler, introduced Tom Gilmore of Kelwood to act as chairman, which he did in a humorous manner. After the concert there was a dance, which the young folks enjoyed till the wee sma' hours of the morning, the music being supplied by Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Smith and James Snider, sen.

F. WALTON,  
Secretary.

**GOOD CONCERT AT PINE CREEK**

The Pine Creek Grain Growers held a concert in Norfolk schoolhouse on the 23rd ult. A splendid program was rendered by local talent consisting of comic songs, recitations, and dialogues. A. B. Phelps, president of the Branch, acted as chairman, and gave a good address on the usefulness of the Association and also gave many reasons why every farmer should be a member of the Grain Growers' association. R. M. Sharp gave an address on the usefulness of The Grain Growers' Guide and The Grain Growers' Grain Co. The hits of the evening were two comic songs by Walter Clifford, of Austin, and a dialogue entitled "A pain in the side," by A. B. Phelps, Mrs. R. Bennett and Miss Ella Bennett. The proceeds of the concert are to be used for buying forms for seats in the schoolhouse when we hold a concert or social, as the school desks are not suitable for seating a crowd, and we always have the school full.

JOSIAH BENNETT,  
Sec., Pine Creek.

**BIGGER G. G. HALL NEEDED**

Just a line to let you know that your lusty youngster at Manson is thriving well. Have around 45 members at present, but hope to reach the half century soon. We had a meeting on January 26, when it was decided to extend our Grain Growers' hall another 14 feet, making the building 50x22. This will give us ample room to erect a platform. We have found that co-operation is a good method of keeping up the membership. About a month ago we ordered over 500 bags of flour, feed and rolled oats. We would have liked to have your lantern up here, but are informed the project did not pay. The Guide is very popular with our members, and extensively read. I have only one grouch, Mr. Editor, and that is your freakish, outlandish spelling of the word "through." If you want to simplify the spelling of this word, why not spell phonetically, viz.: "throo?" "Sum of ovr members hav sed thay wud like to see ovr branch menshund in The Gide." Wishing u sukses,

A. S. BENSON,  
Sec.-Treas., Manson Branch.

**EMERGENCY FUND**

Of the pledges given by individuals and branches at the convention in Brandon, the following have been redeemed during the month of January: Previously acknowledged ... \$212.60  
Frank Simpson ... 5.00  
Longburn ... 10.00  
Harding ... 10.00  
Tenby ... 4.00  
Desford ... 10.00  
Pierson ... 10.00  
Eden ... 10.00  
Royallan ... 5.00  
G. Magnusson ... 1.00  
Cypress River ... 15.00  
Pipestone ... 10.00  
Starbuck ... 10.00

Total ... \$312.60



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 Penhold; Third, E. Carswell, Red Deer;  
 Fourth, Rice Sheppard, Strathcona.  
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 Sec.-Treas.—P. P. Woodbridge - Calgary

## SPECIAL NOTICE

### SEED GRAIN RATE

In view of the discussion and newspaper articles which have appeared in regard to the railway companies' failure to give the usual notice as to their intention of establishing a special rate on seed grain, your attention is particularly called to the following, which is a copy of a letter just received from the Division Freight Agent, C.P.R.—

#### Seed Grain Rates

P. P. Woodbridge, Esq.,  
 Secretary, U.F.A.,  
 Calgary.

Dear Sir:—

Referring to your recent inquiry in regard to rate on seed grain, I am advised that last year's seed grain rate, which is one half of the regular tariff, will be published effective on February 15.

Yours truly,

JOHN HALSTEAD,

Division Freight Agent.

The matter was taken up by this office with General Superintendent Coleman immediately after the convention, and a few days later we were advised that the rate would probably be put into force on the 15th February. This has now been officially confirmed by the above letter.

## Official Circular No. 1

Part 2

### A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT TO OUR LOCAL UNIONS

Calgary, Alberta,

February 10, 1914.

The convention for 1914 is a thing of the past, and altho we touched high-water mark in numbers, in business, in interest, in enthusiasm and encouragement, it appears that we only made a start at Lethbridge, for since we returned we have received reports of fifteen new locals being established.

The thought naturally arises, why cannot the enthusiasm and optimism generated at the convention be carried by each delegate who attended back to his own local? I am sure if everyone could carry the spirit of the convention home with him and enthuse every member of his local, and could convince every member of that local that he is an integral part of the organization, that the business of the organization is his business, that each one is an actual partner in a mutual co-operative benefit society, it would be impossible to estimate the result.

If every member of the Association would pledge himself to add one new member to the organization it would not be a great task, but what a year's work it would be for the society and what a strengthening of the locals.

At the meeting of the directors, held at the close of the convention, I was appointed organizer for the province, and as it is necessary to get the help and co-operation of everyone to obtain a full measure of success, I want to take this opportunity of appealing to everyone, asking that his best efforts be given to the Association, not only in increasing the membership, but in making our organization more useful and more effective in the work it has before it.

I would ask everyone to let his influence be active, alert and keenly alive to the best interests of this important organization and this means the best interests of the communities in which we live, as we advocate only the policies which will benefit every member of the community and we shall be surprised what such a truly co-operative effort will produce in actual results.

If a generous response is given to this appeal, and I feel sure of it, our next year's convention at Edmonton will so far exceed any yet held that the local committee will be taxed to find suitable accommodation for it. But don't let any consideration of this kind stand in the way, let us all work for a banner year and aim to double our membership before next convention.

With best wishes for our most successful year.

Yours truly,

W. J. TREGILLUS,

President.

# Alberta

This Section of The Guide is conducted officially for the United Farmers of Alberta by P. P. Woodbridge, Secretary, Calgary, Alberta.

### NEEDY FAMILY HELPED

The following is a report of the West Salisbury Union, No. 323, which was forwarded by their secretary, Geo. Ball: "Our local has been inactive during the summer of 1913, but has taken up the work again and hope to continue. At a special meeting on January 16 we enrolled twenty-one members. The district was well represented. Rice Sheppard gave a very interesting address on the work of the Association, which was very much appreciated by a well filled house. The polling resulted in the election of the following officers for the year 1914: President, A. J. Ottawell; vice-president, M. Smeltzer; directors, J. Davis, J. Smythe, R. Hulbert, F. Haythorne and S. Galley; secretary-treasurer, Geo. Ball. For a family reported to be in need a collection was taken amounting to \$16. On January 27 a basket social and concert was held. The delegates' report was submitted, which was followed by a program of music, songs, etc., after which the baskets were sold. The evening was pronounced a decided success."

### TO ENROLL EVERY FARMER

The second meeting of the Pincher Creek Local Union, No. 107, was held in the new hall, Scott Block, on Saturday, January 17, when the organization for the year was completed. There was a good attendance and much interest was taken in the proceedings. It is confidently expected that this will be a year of work, when by co-operation and mutual effort every farmer in the district will be a member of the U.F.A. The following officers were appointed: President, R. A. Main; vice-president, Theodore Newman; secretary, R. Henderson; treasurer, Fred Willock; directors, W. R. Lees, W. P. Neilson and Francis Willock.

The Kasimir Local Union, No. 168, held their fourth annual meeting on January 17, 1914. There were fourteen members present. This was the first meeting this union has held for six months. The election of officers for the coming year was the first business taken up. A. G. Buhlinger was re-elected president; G. Wighton, vice-president; and W. W. Walker, secretary-treasurer. Four members were appointed directors, namely, L. Krogh, K. B. McKenzie, H. Lindsey and J. Sayers. D. R. Easter was chosen as delegate to the annual convention at Lethbridge. Messrs. W. Bartlett and J. Sayers were appointed to audit the books. The secretary was instructed to write to the Inspector of Post Offices at Calgary with a view to obtaining a post office in this district. This union is in favor of the Farmers' Elevator Co., several members taking shares in the company.

### ENLISTING NEW MEMBERS

The following report has been received from J. C. Shannon, secretary of Creighton Local Union, No. 191: "There was a large attendance at Creighton on January 6, when the members of the U.F.A. gave their first concert of the new year. The program was a good one, consisting of songs and recitations. A splendid address was also given by Mr. Austin, of Ranfurly, who gave in fullest detail the advantages of co-operation, dealing chiefly with the Alberta Farmers' Co-operative Elevator Co. He was the means of enlisting a good number of shareholders for the proposed elevator which is to be built in Mannville in the near future. A fine lunch was served by the ladies and was greatly appreciated by all. A hearty vote of thanks was tendered Mr. Austin, also those who took part in the program. The local members were busy enlisting new ones and their efforts were not in vain as we secured four. A collection of \$8 was taken up and set aside for a building fund towards a new stable, which is to be built at the school where we hold our meetings. We intend giving several entertainments as we wish to make this the best year for the Creighton branch of the U.F.A., No. 191.

### AGGRESSIVE START BY LOMOND

Another new union to be organized is that of Lomond, No. 562, in connection

with which the following report is sent in by H. J. Dufty: "Our local started with a meeting re the organizing of a co-operative elevator company local at Lomond, the proposed town on the C.P.R. extension, two miles from the Dufferin schoolhouse, where we meet. The said meeting was held on December 27 last, Mr. Quinsey being the speaker. We had about a score of the neighboring farmers present and all were deeply interested in the speaker's facts and figures, which he gave us with convincing earnestness. It was proposed and carried that we form a U.F.A. local first and from it work for a co-operative elevator at Lomond. Twelve members came and joined the U.F.A., six paying down their dollar and four being transfers from other locals. W. H. Smith was elected president, with A. Tulloch as vice-president. H. J. Dufty was appointed secretary-treasurer, and Messrs. Ed. Burne, J. Rogers, I. J. Rickett, J. Lawler and R. W. Thompson were chosen directors, being with the officers as ex-officio members of executive board, declared a committee to canvass for stock subscriptions in the proposed co-operative elevator at Lomond. It was unanimously decided to call our local "Lomond." Regular meetings were proposed to be held on the first and third Saturdays in each month at the Dufferin school at 2 p.m. At the next meeting, held on January 3, six members joined the local, and at the meeting held on January 17 three more were added to our list, which gives us now a membership of twenty-one, nineteen being in good standing. Six of these, however, are transfers from other locals. At our third meeting it was decided to have an entertainment on February 4 at 7.30 p.m. in schoolhouse, to advertise our union and encourage new members. A committee of five, with officers ex-officio, was appointed to arrange for same. We expect to have a good time, altho we do not intend to charge anything for admission, as our aim is not to make money so much as to increase our membership and usefulness as a union. We do not feel able to send a delegate to the convention much as we should like to, but will hope to next year. This neighborhood is hoping great things from the new branch of the C.P.R. building thru here, otherwise all the settlers are pretty hard up and have very little else to encourage them. We intend to make our union a good and useful one and extend a hearty invitation to all the neighbors to join us. Wishing the convention a good and instructive session, the Association a good and progressive year and The Grain Growers' Guide the success it well deserves."

### MACKENZIE-MANN DEAL DENOUNCED

P. J. Harlow, the new secretary of Berrywater Union, No. 195, reports: "The local of Berrywater during 1913 was practically dead, but in 1914 we are trying to turn over a new leaf. At the present time we have twenty-two members on the roll, which is not too bad a start. By sending out fifty of the circular letters, so as to let people know what the Association as a whole is doing, we hope to further increase our membership. As ours is a large district we meet alternately in two parts of it, so as to give all members an equal chance. As there is a farmers' co-operative store at Vulcan we do not go in very strongly for co-operative buying as we find things can be handled just as cheap and conveniently there. On the 31st of January we held a meeting at the Berrywater school. After hearing an interesting report of the convention from one of our delegates, Mr. Sims, the following business was transacted: Officers elected for 1914: D. B. Sims, president; Harry Amery, vice-president; P. J. Harlow, secretary-treasurer; Hugh Baden, Arthur Bond, Will Houghton, Percy Baldwin and David Hill, directors. The following resolution was put to the meeting and carried:

"Resolved that we, the members of the Berrywater Local Union, No. 195, do place on record our united protest against the action of the Federal House at Ottawa in planning to give to Messrs. Mackenzie and Mann a free gift of

### District Directors:

Victoria—P. S. Austin, Ranfurly; Edmonton—F. O. Clare, South Edmonton; Strathcona—W. G. Vicary, Strome; Red Deer—D. Buckingham, Stettler; Calgary—H. W. Wood, Strathmore; Macleod—J. Quinsey, Noble; Medicine Hat—W. D. Trego, Gleichen.

\$25,000,000. Whereas it is a reckless squandering of the people's money without their having any control of the use it is put to, and any profits which may accrue therefrom are wholly for the benefit of Messrs. Mackenzie and Mann and the shareholders of the Canadian Northern. Further resolved that copies of this resolution be forwarded to the general secretary at Calgary with a request that he forward it to all other unions for endorsement."

### Local Library Started

"It was decided to start a library in connection with the union. Several members kindly offered to lend books and the union proposes to buy books from time to time as the funds warrant. After a time, if it is a success, we hope to run a debating society or literary society in connection."

The following report is forwarded by H. J. Dufty on behalf of the Rolling Prairie Union, No. 479: "The annual meeting was called to order at 9.15 p.m. on Saturday, December 20, 1913, in Plateau schoolhouse, with a rather limited attendance. There were four lady visitors and several gentlemen from Brunetta Local besides a few regular members. The secretary gave a report of the past year, including buying and selling a barrel of coal oil, netting 85 cents profit to the union. It was moved and seconded by J. H. Donily and Geo. Armstrong, that the report be accepted as read. Carried. A discussion ensued as to whether the local union was dead, dying or merely sick. Geo. Armstrong moved that a determined effort be made to re-organize the local and instill enthusiasm into the members and work for a better union. Carried. The election of new officers resulted as follows: President, Geo. Armstrong; vice-president, J. H. Donily; secretary, W. E. Atkinson. Three directors were also appointed."

### Secretary Made Life Member

J. L. Harding, secretary of the Silverleaf Union, No. 440, reports as follows: On December 18 we held our last meeting for the year 1913. We have entirely revived from our long state of inactivity. We had a good attendance and two new names were enrolled. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, James Barlow; vice-president, C. Black; secretary-treasurer, J. L. Harding. A life membership was tendered me by the members in appreciation of services rendered as secretary. The directors elected were Messrs. Coke, Curry, Campbell, McKinney, Irvine and Woods. It was moved that we set the second Wednesday in each month for our regular meeting day for the coming year.

Chas. E. Burford, secretary of Minburn Local Union No. 535 reports: "We held our annual organization meeting on Saturday, December 20. There was not a very large turn out, but those present were very enthusiastic. They were all determined to advance the "brotherhood cause" the ensuing year. We have at present a paid-up membership of twenty-five. The following officers were elected for the year 1914: President, Wm. Park; vice-president, Jas. MacFazdean; secretary, Chas. E. Burford; directors, Peter Baker, William Gilbert, Wm. Grant, W. G. Gallon, Alexander McInroy and John Bowen. Chas. E. Burford and Alexander Gray were elected delegates to attend the annual convention at Lethbridge. Wm. Park was elected as a substitute. The association decided to submit to the annual convention resolutions favoring the following:

"(1) A farmers' co-operative pork packing plant.

"(2) The pending credit co-operative loan system of Saskatchewan.

"(3) A primary for nomination of elective officers both locally and provincially."



## Secretary Green's Report

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\$4.00 in hard cash in the treasury for each paid up member. You paid for a service and got value, and you have this much left which is given absolutely free to incoming members. What better business proposition could you have than this to offer in securing new members? The C.P.R., the G.T.P., or any other company known is not in it with this. This shows the spirit of this institution. It gives largely of itself for others.

Money talks somewhat. Capital is a force, as is also credit. Our collective wisdom and co-operative endeavor are all separate forces to be used by us in our associate activities, if centralized and applied for the attainment of objects and ideals beneficial to all of us. They make a desirable combination. We each give a part of our individual force and receive the force of the whole. Our fund is a force, but, like the sun, it shines on and works for all and no less for each because for all. Perhaps there are those who are dissatisfied who would chop up the sun, appropriating each a piece and so obliterate its universal beneficence. Many of you have paid 50 cents into this fund. You got the value in service and there is \$24,000 in hard cash left to do business for you, besides the results already accomplished.

### New Record Established

The total receipts in membership in 1913 were the largest in our history, and \$1,034.64 more than in 1912, and yet our expenditures in 1913 are \$1,952.77



HON. GEO. LANGLEY  
Director Sask. G.G.A.

greater than the fees from the locals, and still our cash balance this year is \$2,545.44 greater than last year.

I might put it in another form. The total fees received from September 1, 1909, when I first took the office, to December 31 of that year was .. \$1,050.00  
1910 ..... 4,820.80  
1911 ..... 4,591.50  
1912 ..... 4,393.71  
1913 ..... 5,428.35

\$20,284.36

That is to say, \$4,459.67 less has been paid in total membership fees than we now have in our treasury. This shows there is just a bare possibility of financing a loose voluntary farmers' organization without having it buried in debt.

Perhaps I ought to say our Life Fund produced over \$1,000 of this year's revenue. This fund is given for a special purpose of providing continuity and permanence to our work and the revenue from it only is to be used. It is to be the permanency that we old fellows leave behind as footprints; a bequeathment to those who follow.

### Emergency Fund

The Emergency Fund now, as you will notice by the balance sheet, is \$2,198.85. It also was given for a special purpose—not for distribution or for peace—but for a fighting machine, and already its powers are being applied so that general associates are getting

out many times more than present day members are putting in.

### District Meetings

During the year I have attended the following district meetings: October 27, Swift Current; 29, Vanguard; November 4, Expanse; 5, Assiniboia; 6, Weyburn; 24, North Battleford; 26, Wadena; 28, Wynyard; December 2, Elbow; 4, Rose-town; 6, Prince Albert.

Melville, Alameda and Wolseley were missed because we had to go to Ottawa on the 11th, returning on the 24th. Since then, thruout the last week of the year and January, up to the moment of this convention, the work in the office has been most strenuous.

### Twenty Thousand Letters

During the year we received approximately twenty thousand letters and answered same. About eighty associations in good standing on the list are new ones and many parcels of literature have been sent out in carrying on this work.

### Delegations Attended

Much might be said of the importance of the work carried on at the delegations, but fairly full reports have been given in the press from time to time, and I will not take up time in the meeting repeating it, but am ready to answer any questions you may wish to ask.

I have attended delegations before the Grain Commission at Moose Jaw and Saskatoon with regard to the sample market; at Winnipeg on special binning and sample market; at Fort William on sample market, and have been to Minneapolis for investigation, to Ottawa, re Bank Act, calling at Minneapolis en route, and to Montreal to inspect terminals. I also attended the Credit Commission sitting, the Canadian Council of Agriculture at Regina, the Ottawa delegation, Brandon and Lethbridge conventions and Agricultural Society convention, Saskatoon.

### Banish the Bar

Principal Lloyd, of Emmanuel College, Saskatoon, addressed the Moose Jaw Convention on Wednesday, representing the Social and Moral Reform Association of Saskatchewan, dealing particularly with problems involved in the Banish the Bar movement. Recently at Regina, he said, a great convention had been held at which representatives were present from all over the province. They found that there were a great many different opinions as to how to deal with the evil of the liquor traffic. Some said that nothing would be of any use but total prohibition, while others said it would not be right to establish that system. After a thorough discussion they came to the conclusion that they would have to drop their own pet theories and all unite on one policy. They had agreed that one of the greatest evils of the liquor traffic was the treating habit (applause), and had determined to concentrate their efforts on trying to secure the abolition of the bar in the hotel and club. For the present they would leave the wholesale liquor store as it was, subject to local option, so that those who were determined to get liquor could get it without breaking the law, but they would remove the public bar from the street corner and the club, treating rich and poor alike. Their method of securing this was not to ask the legislature to pass a law banishing the bar but to ask them to put the question to the people in the form of a referendum. They would ask also that that referendum be decided on a majority vote and that women be allowed to vote (loud applause). Principal Lloyd made an eloquent appeal to the delegates to lend their aid in inducing the government to grant their request, and said that if the Grain Growers took up the fight the province would take notice.

President Maharg thanked the speaker for his stirring address and said that the question he had dealt with would come before the convention next day in the form of a resolution and he had no doubt that when they had passed upon it Principal Lloyd would be entirely satisfied.

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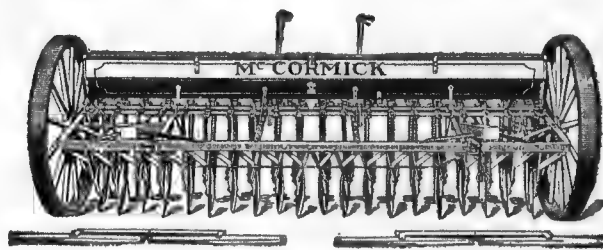
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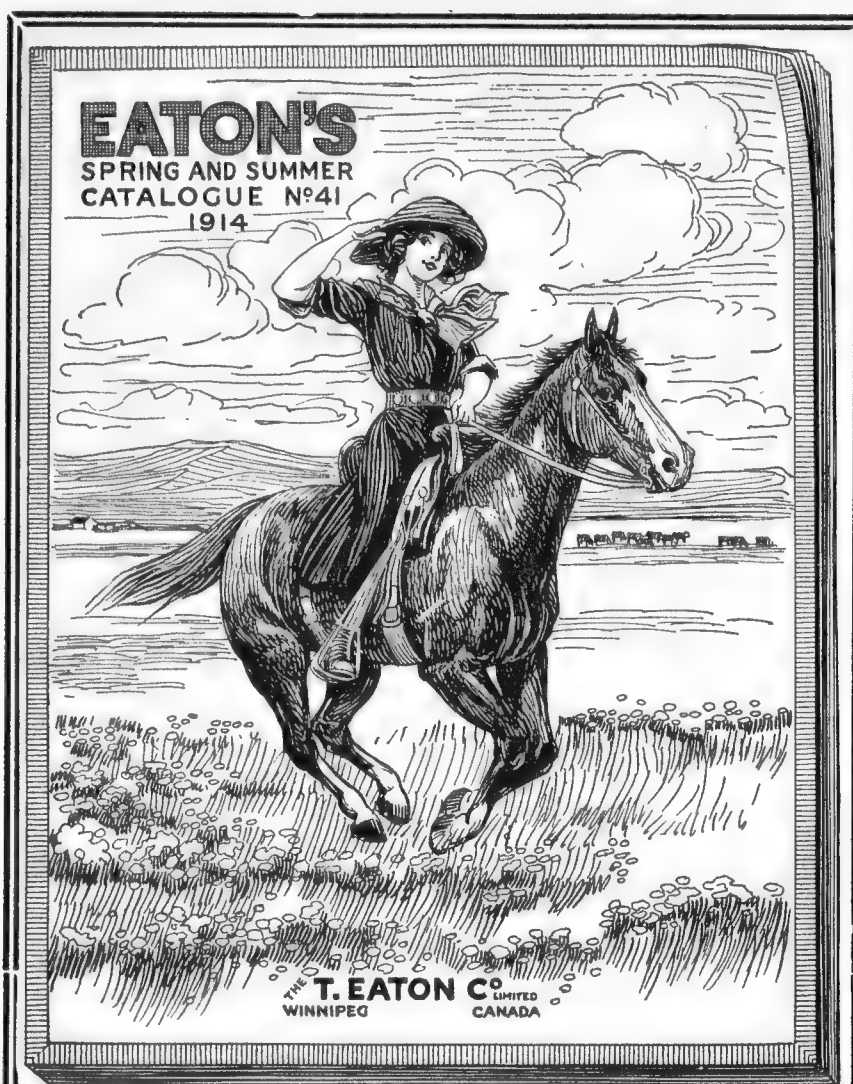
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## Third Party Defeated

Many forceful speeches for and against a new Farmers' Party, but Convention decides against its formation at the present time

J.J. Whiting, Traynor, moved: "Whereas the present political party system tends to disunite our forces on important questions vital to the farmers; therefore be it resolved that this convention is in favor of a farmers' party being brought into existence, to be financed by voluntary contributions from the local Grain Growers' Associations."

He knew, he said, that many people thought it would be impossible to hold the farmers together, but the same thing was said about the Labor men in Great Britain, who were now recognized as a very great power in the Imperial Parliament. The Nationalist party, by standing together, also were a great power in British politics, and he believed that the farmers of Saskatchewan should form a party that would be able to compel the old parties, whichever of them might be in power, to give the farmers what they wanted.

W. Beaton seconded the motion. President Maharg asked the wishes of the convention with regard to the by-law which limited speeches to five minutes, except by permission of the chair. Frederick Kirkham, of Saltcoats, said no one could say much on a question of this kind in five minutes. He thought there should be full and free discussion on such a question, and moved that the mover and seconder have fifteen minutes and the other speakers ten minutes each. This was defeated by a very large majority and it was decided to enforce the by-law.

### F. Kirkham Supports

W. D. Scott supported the proposal to form a farmers' party and said the reason the farmers had not secured more of their demands from Parliament was because they were petrified. Frederick Kirkham also supported the proposal and spoke of the curse of partyism. He roundly condemned both Borden and Laurier and their followers at Ottawa, but was careful to say his remarks did not apply to the Regina House. The latter were a pretty good bunch and the Association would make even better men of them yet. He must say, however, that the conventions needed to appoint directors who would do more thinking than those who had held office during the past year. There was only one man on the board who was any good, but he would not mention his name at present. The president permitted Mr. Kirkham to continue his remarks for some time after his five minutes had expired, and when he had concluded six o'clock had passed and the debate had to be adjourned until Thursday morning.

The debate on the Third Party question was resumed on Thursday morning, and at the opening Mr. Kirkham moved to substitute the word National for the word Farmers, as the name of the proposed party. G. W. Booth spoke in favor of the Third Party, pointing out the difficulty of compelling the two old parties to grant the requests of the farmers. Geo. Truscott, of Battleford, spoke briefly against the motion.

### Prefers Direct Legislation

W. J. Thompson, President, of Warman, Sask., said he was opposed to the Third Party. If this convention went on record as in favor of a Third Party, it would mean that they would eliminate the safe and sane element that was in it. He pinned his faith to Direct Legislation and believed that the farmers in his district and in other districts could be trusted to get into line and vote right when any important issue was before them, irrespective of party.

### Would Destroy Harmony

A. G. Hawkes reminded the convention of the success which the Association had accomplished in the past as a result of the harmony and spirit of co-operation with which it had been imbued. The Association had accumulated a fund of \$24,000; it had established a great co-operative elevator scheme, and it had now in prospect a big co-operative trading enterprise, but if they went into the Third Party scheme, harmony would be destroyed and the usefulness of the Association would be at an end. To form a Third Party would simply be to play into the hands of the big interests. T. S. Bowles, of Minot, said that if a Third Party was formed, it would do the

Grain Growers' Association more harm than anything else they could do. He was opposed to a Third Party, because partyism was the curse of Canada. If they established a Third Party it would be to watch the other two, and then they would want a fourth to watch the third.

### Experience of Dakota

Capt. J. R. Love, of Chaplin, related the experience of a Third Party, of which he was a member in Dakota in the nineties. That party was formed by a closer farmers' organization than had ever been seen before or since in the United States or Canada. The Farmers' Alliance, after two days debate, they decided to form a Third Party by 580 votes to 82. The next month they elected a legislature, which sent a senator to Washington. The result was that the party attracted a number of men from the other parties who were seeking emoluments and inside of four years, so many had come in from other parties that the farmers' party was fused out of existence. But worse than that, the splendid Farmers' Organization which had given birth to the party was wrecked and destroyed.

G. Pensom, of Lloydminster, spoke in favor of the Third Party, and said it was never suggested that navigation should cease because ships were some-



A. G. HAWKES, Percival  
Vice-Pres. Sask. G.G.A.

times wrecked. He believed that a Third Party could be steered past the rocks, and that now was the time to launch it.

### Secretary Green Opposed

Secretary F. W. Green said the Association was already a farmers' party, but, in his opinion, it would be disastrous to go into the formation of a farmers' political party. He believed, however, that they needed farmer representatives of farming districts and that the cities and the country should be in separate constituencies. It had been said that if they already had a farmers' party, it had not been effective, but he asked them what had brought about the Hudson Bay railway, the Government Terminal Elevators at Fort William, the Saskatchewan Co-operative Elevator system, the Hail Insurance scheme and many other things of a similar nature? It was the pressure of the Farmers' Organizations in the West. He believed those organizations were more effective now than they could be by forming a political party at the present time. They had got a good deal of information and would be better able to deal with the matter at some future time. He moved that the resolution be now laid on the table.

### Voted Down

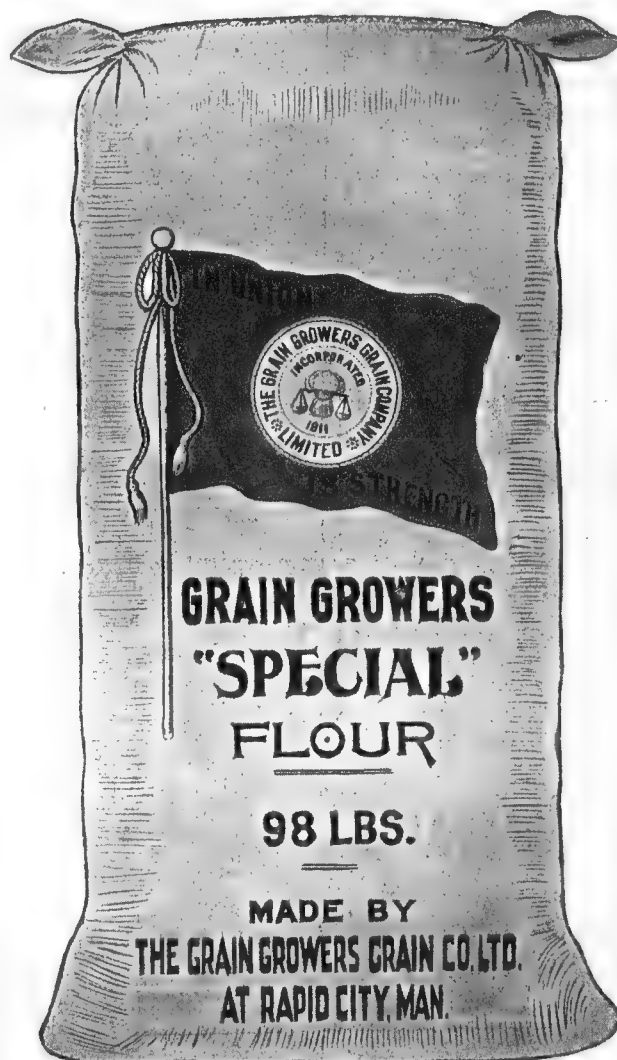
The motion was seconded in several places and on being put, was carried by a very large majority, not more than forty hands being raised against it.

James Finlay, who desired to speak on the question, attempted to have it brought up again immediately, but his motion was defeated by an overwhelming vote.



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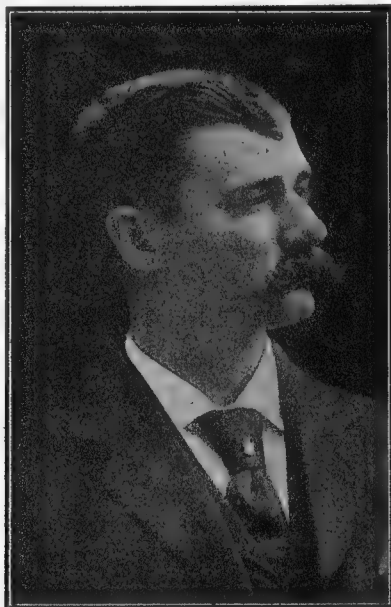
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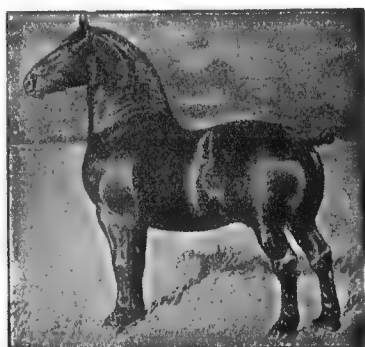
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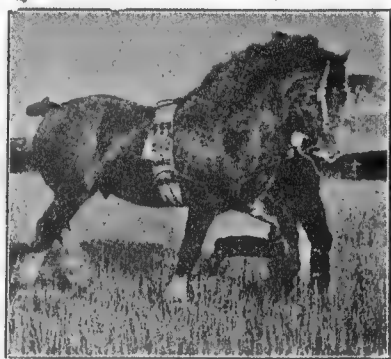
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## Breeders' Notes

### GREAT ABERDEEN-ANGUS SALE

There will be sold on Friday, Feb.  
27, 1914, at the farm of Noble Smith,  
eight miles east of Souris, Manitoba,  
within easy distance of Carroll station  
and Newstead siding on the Glenboro  
branch of the C.P.R., 50 head of pure-  
bred Aberdeen-Angus cattle, compris-  
ing the herd bull, "Rugby Lad," 3  
years old, half-brother to Glencarnock  
Victor II., the champion steer over all  
breeds, pure-bred or grade, at the last  
Chicago International show; 25 heifers,  
20 cows, and five bulls. There will also  
be sold 30 grade Aberdeen Angus cat-  
tle, 45 head grade Shropshire sheep,  
and 31 head of horses, including an  
imported Clydesdale mare. The foun-  
dation stock of the Aberdeen-Angus  
herd came from the well-known Glen-  
carnock herd of J. D. McGregor, Bran-  
don. The stock bull, "Rugby Lad," is  
by "Golden Gleam" 3111, which was  
purchased at the Chicago International  
show in 1908 to head the Glencarnock  
herd, after winning in his class at all  
the leading state fairs of the middle  
West. He also won the grand cham-  
pionship for the Glencarnock herd at  
all the leading shows in Western Can-  
ada in 1909 and 1910, and his value as  
a stock getter was fully demonstrated  
this past year, when his stock again  
won at the Chicago International Live  
Stock show. The females will be of-  
fered in good breeding condition and  
have not been at all pampered, and all  
of breeding age are safe in calf to  
"Rugby Lad." The sheep are all high-  
grade Shropshires. The imported  
Clydesdale mare is in foal to "Black  
Ivory," and the grade mares are all  
safe in foal to "Royal Flush."

This will be a good opportunity to  
get some good Aberdeen-Angus stock,  
and those looking out for this splendid  
class of beef cattle will do well to at-  
tend Mr. Smith's sale on February 27.  
The Aberdeen-Angus breed has proved  
itself the ideal butchers' breed and the  
one which comes nearest to perfection  
from a producer's and a consumer's  
standpoint.

The Great Northern train leaving  
Brandon at 7 a.m. will stop at Dia-  
mond siding to let off passengers for  
the sale. Catalogs are now ready. Kindly  
send for one.

T. C. Norris, of Griswold, Manitoba,  
will conduct the sale. Remember the  
sale is at Noble Smith's farm, Souris,  
Manitoba, on February 27, 1914.

### EMMERT'S SHORTHORN SALE

There will be sold at Brandon, on  
Thursday, March 5, 1914, during win-  
ter fair week, forty head of Shorthorn  
females belonging to H. L. Emmert,  
Oak Bluff Stock Farm, Oak Bluff, Man.  
These females are representatives of  
the well known Shorthorn families of  
"Missies," "Ury's," "Butterflies," "Vio-  
lets," "Jilts," "Village Fairies,"  
"Amys," "Minas," "Golden Drops,"  
"Duchess of Gloster," and others of  
the well-known Cruickshank strain. The  
Oak Bluff Shorthorns are well-known  
thruout Western Canada. They have  
already made history for the breed.  
Year by year the standard of excellence  
in the herd has been improved, and this  
is strongly evidenced by the showing  
performances of the various individuals  
during the past two years. The offer-  
ing is practically all young stock and  
have years of usefulness ahead of them.  
Some of them have proven their worth  
as producers. Some of them have calves  
at foot from such well-known sires used  
on the Oak Bluff farm as "Oakland  
Star" (imp.) 81312, "Margrave"  
(imp.) 75524, "Choice Goods" 84421,  
"Missie's Prince" 83660, "Brown-  
dale" 80112, "Sittytton Selection"  
86568. Some are in calf to the above  
sires, some are open heifers.

Mr. Emmert has spared neither time  
nor money in making up this herd, and,  
having as manager such a well-known  
judge of Shorthorns as Jas. Yule, pros-  
pective buyers on the lookout for good  
foundation stock will find this one of  
the best opportunities that has ever  
been offered in Western Canada, and  
should keep in mind the fact that this

lot will be worth every dollar paid for  
them in the ring.

Terms of the sale are one-third cash,  
balance November 1, 1914, interest at 7  
per cent. per annum on approved joint  
notes. 5 per cent. discount for all cash  
over one-third.

T. C. Norris, of Griswold, Manitoba,  
the well-known auctioneer, will call  
the sale.

### HORSE AND CATTLE SALES DURING REGINA FAIR

The Saskatchewan Horse and Cattle  
Breeders' Associations have each de-  
cided to hold sales of pure-bred stock at  
Regina, in conjunction with the forth-  
coming winter fair. This is the first  
time the Horse Breeders have taken  
this step and the entries for this year  
are limited to residents in the province  
of Saskatchewan, and the age limit for  
males is two years. Entries will be  
accepted for females of any age.

Instead of charging an entry fee and  
commission on the sale price, it has  
been decided to charge a straight fee  
of \$5.00 on every animal entered. This  
will cover all charges exclusive of  
freight and feed. An upset price of  
\$250.00 has been set upon males over  
one and under two years of age, whilst  
females over one year old have an up-  
set price of \$200.00. Males under one  
year will be withdrawn unless receiving  
a bid of \$200.00, and females under one  
year must reach \$150.00.

The cattle sale will be held under  
similar regulations to last year. The  
upset price of males over eighteen  
months has been increased to \$100 and  
that of females of the same age to  
\$90.00, whilst animals under that age  
have been increased to \$80 and \$90  
respectively.

Entries for both sales must be in the  
hands of the secretary by February 25.  
Applications for rules and further in-  
formation should be made to the secre-  
tary, Saskatchewan Live Stock associa-  
tions, Department of Agriculture,  
Regina.

### JOHN HORN'S SALES

John Horn, Home Farm, Regina,  
sends The Guide the following account  
of his January sales. To Wm. Brown,  
Regina—"Katie of Wellwood," 32301,  
"Bettie of Wellwood" 32302, "Topsy  
of Wellwood" 32303, "Ann of Well-  
wood" 32304. To W. P. Johnston, of  
Regina—"Carnation" (imp.) 13496,  
and "Winnie of Wellwood." The cows  
and bulls were all sold out in a couple  
of days, with the exception of a few  
grades.

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any breed in this western country.

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the males, as those who remember their  
records can testify.



## Saskatchewan Cattle Sales

There will be held at Regina, at 1.30 p.m., Friday, March 13, in connection with the Annual Winter Fair, March 10 to 13, under the auspices of the Saskatchewan Cattle Breeders' Association, assisted by the Dominion and Provincial Departments of Agriculture

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## Saskatchewan Horse Sales

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### A Sale of Pure Bred Horses

Entries will be accepted for Pure-Bred Males foaled after January 1, 1912, and for Females any age. Entries for this year only limited to Saskatchewan breeders. For rules, entry forms or further information, write the Secretary,

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# Shorthorn Cattle Sale

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## Pure Bred Clydesdales

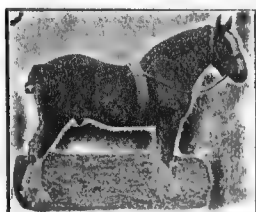
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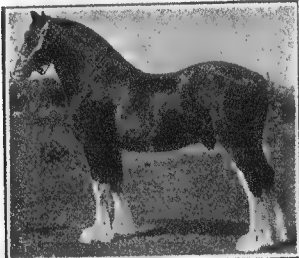


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W. C. SUTHERLAND, SASKATOON, SASK.

## Farming for Profit

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better start than they would if weaned at six or eight weeks of age. After the pigs are weaned, the sows can be given the run of a pasture lot and kept at small expense until bred again.

Aside from the advantage of being able to keep a large number of sows with an inexpensive equipment there are many advantages to be derived from this system. The vitality and breeding power of the animals can be maintained until they are six or seven years old, and if they are not permitted to get too fat, they will throw stronger and larger litters than they would if bred twice a year. One disadvantage of this system is that the sows come in season so frequently between the time of weaning the pigs and the time for breeding for the next litters, that they sometimes fail to get in pig when served.

Another system is to have one litter per year, using young sows. Some farmers follow the practice of having their sows farrow when one year old. They permit the pigs to follow their dams until ten or twelve weeks old and then fatten the sows for market. The desired number of sows is then selected from among the young pigs for breeding the next year's crop.

This is a very easy and sometimes a very profitable way of growing pork. But it is carried on at a great loss of vitality and breeding power. It is invariably followed, in a few generations, first by uneven, then small litters and afterwards by susceptibility to disease. Some swine growers have endeavored to overcome this tendency, by using aged sires, but they were then confronted by the fact that there was an increase in the number of sows that had difficulty in farrowing.

The system of breeding immature sows only can be followed for six or eight years without serious deterioration provided care is exercised in selecting them out of large even litters, and keeping a few aged sows for supplying any deficiency in the number of suitable breeding animals that may occur as a result of the severe system of culling that must be practiced in order to maintain the vitality of the herd. In this system a boar of from twelve to eighteen months old should be used.

### Two Litters Per Year

The percentage of swine growers in Alberta who make a success of raising two litters of pigs from each sow per year is small. The difficulty lies in the fact that our summers are somewhat short. The spring litters must therefore come at a time when there is danger of cold weather. When this occurs, unless the housing, care and management are good, the death rate will be high.

Then again the pigs from the autumn farrowings are still small when winter arrives, and it requires good housing and a skilful feeder to secure a growth from small pigs during cold weather that is commensurate with the amount of feed consumed and labor involved. For these reasons many swine growers contend that one full litter cheaply grown is much to be preferred over two fractional litters grown at a greater cost in feed and labor. Raising two litters per year from each sow draws heavily on her vitality. It shortens her period of usefulness, and is one cause of uneven litters.

### SHEEP IN SASKATCHEWAN

The Guide is in receipt of a copy of Bulletin No. 37, Sheep in Saskatchewan, by J. Cochrane Smith, B.S.A., live stock commissioner for the province, and published by direction of the Hon. W. R. Motherwell, minister of agriculture. This interesting and highly instructive bulletin should be in the hands of every farmer in Western Canada, whether he possesses a flock of sheep or has only a few, and if he has none at all, the bulletin will enlighten him as to the great pecuniary advantage of carrying a few of these weed scavengers on his farm. The pamphlet is interesting reading from cover to cover, describing the different breeds, their climatic suitability, care and management, cost of feeding and housing, killing, dressing and marketing, shearing and care of the wool, etc. A post card to the Live Stock Branch, Department of Agriculture, Regina, will bring anyone wishing same a copy, which should be carefully studied.

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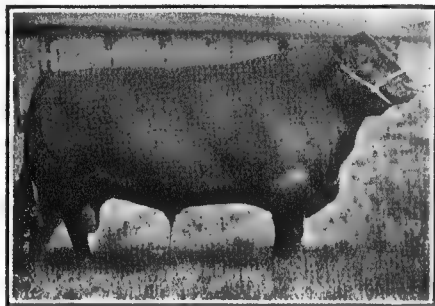


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At other times we come across barbed wire gates so tightly closed that it is with difficulty, and often at the expense of our clothing, that they are opened, and therefore the following hints may be some benefit: All that is necessary is to bolt a strong handle (E) to the stick or short pole (A) carrying the loose end of the gateway, and so adjust it that when (A) is turned half-round the wires are pulled tight. A simple clip fastened on the fence post will keep it in position and yet allow of it being quickly released and the gate opened. The accompanying cut makes the explanation clear.

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### AGRICULTURAL VALUE OF LEGUMINOUS PLANTS

On well prepared land, stored with a fair supply of plant food, especially potash and phosphoric acid, leguminous plants yield heavy crops of great nutritive value, relished by all kinds of stock. Putting aside their values for soiling, leguminous plants can be used to advantage for either hay or pasture. Their suitability for fodder depends largely on

their mode of development. As a rule their nutritive value is highest when they are in bloom or shortly before. If intended for hay, they should not be cut too late. It is true that sometimes the crop is larger if cutting is delayed until shortly after the plants have completed flowering; but, on the other hand, the hay is coarse and more or less woody. It lacks palatability and fat and milk producing constituents, and in spite of its larger quantity, it is of smaller total value than if cut at the proper time. Late cutting also spoils the second growth. When red clover and alfalfa, for instance, begin to bloom, new shoots start from the crown of the root. If cutting is delayed until these shoots are high enough to be caught by the mower, it is evident that the second growth will be seriously affected.

Some species, like white clover, are suitable for pasture, as the tramping of stock encourages the plants to new growth. Others, like red clover and alfalfa, with a crown a little above the ground, must be pastured more carefully, tramping being apt to injure the plants if the soil is not in the proper condition. As the new growth starts from the crown, the plants should not be pastured too

close, at any rate not late in the fall.

It is well known that leguminous plants enrich the soil. This faculty used to be attributed to their rather deep root system. It was claimed that the taproots gathered from the subsoil great quantities of food inaccessible to plants with shallower roots. The substances thus removed from the subsoil were said to be used in building up the superficial roots and the overground parts of the plants, which parts, when plowed down, added this material to the surface soil. There is no doubt that plant food is removed from the subsoil and stored in the upper parts of the plants and that the above explanation should be considered. But the soil-enriching faculty of leguminous plants is connected with phenomena that render this explanation insufficient. Generally, alfalfa will not thrive on soil where it has never been grown before. The plants soon stop growth, turn yellow and finally die. If, however, some soil from an old alfalfa field is sown on the land, a crop will be produced without any trouble. If the plants are examined, it will be found that the roots of those grown on old alfalfa soil are provided with numerous nodules, whereas the roots of weak plants on virgin soil are destitute

of them. Only quite recently have the origin and significance of these tubercles been understood. It has been proved that they are a kind of gall produced by certain bacteria. These bacteria live in the ground, attach the hair roots, break through their thin walls, and make their way to the interior of the root branches. There they propagate rapidly, forming masses within the nodules. Later on most of the bacteria decompose and are used by the plants, which thus obtain additional food. As the bacteria are very rich in nitrogenous substances, the source of which is the air contained in the porous soil, leguminous plants are able to secure, indirectly through the bacteria, their nitrogen from the air. They are, therefore, able to accumulate nitrogen without robbing the soil and, when dying, to leave a supply of nitrogenous substances for succeeding crops.

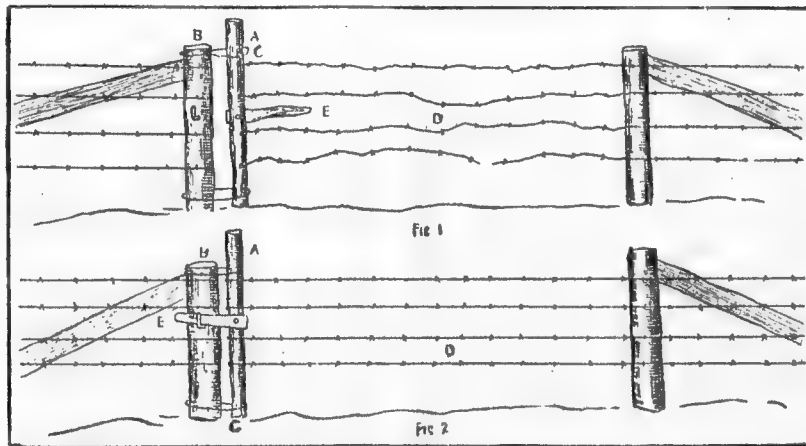
When soil from land where alfalfa, for instance, has been successfully grown is put on a field, that field is supplied with the bacteria necessary for the development of alfalfa. The amount needed is not large, two hundred pounds being sufficient for an acre. Instead of soil from old fields, artificial cultures of bacteria are now available at many botanical laboratories. These cultures, with directions for their use, are on sale in bottles at a low price.

Nodule-forming bacteria are necessary for the proper development of all kinds of leguminous plants. But this does not mean that bacteria which will serve for a certain plant will satisfy another kind. On the contrary, there are different species and races of nodule-forming bacteria, and each species or race is able to produce nodules only on a certain kind of leguminous plant. Thus the bacteria which work on the roots of red clover are different from those which produce nodules on the roots of alfalfa and are quite unable to benefit the latter plant. In using artificial cultures of nodule-bacteria, therefore, care should be taken to procure the right kind.

### THE HORSE WITH THE HEAVES

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The gateway before fastening and afterwards. The half-turn given to (a) acts as a strainer and tightens the barbed wires



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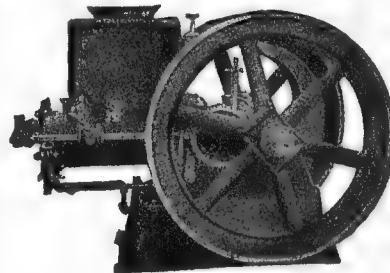
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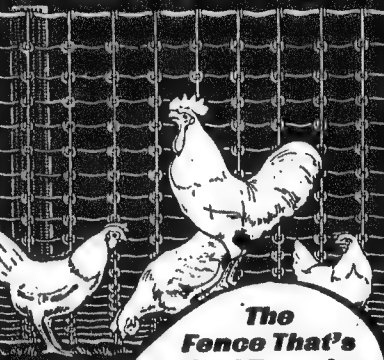
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The report of the Health of Animals Branch of the Dominion Department of Agriculture for the year ending March 31, 1913, is out. This is the first report issued by Dr. F. Torrance, as veterinary director general. This branch of the federal service has assumed large proportions, covering, as it does, the control of import quarantine stations, the control of movements of animals within the Dominion with regard to contagious diseases and the inspection of meats and canned foods. The inspections from the United States and Newfoundland amounted to 43,154 horses, 2,571 mules, 14,795 cattle, 224,115 sheep, 120 swine, 249 goats, 17 asses, 29 buffalo, 11 camels, 2 yak, 1 zebra, 1 deer and 6 reindeer. The imports from Europe and elsewhere for the same period were 2,245 horses, 106 cattle, 85 sheep, 3 mules, 29 swine and 6 goats.

Referring to diseases within Canada, the reports show that satisfactory progress was made in reducing outbreaks of such diseases as glanders in horses, mange in cattle, sheep scab, anthrax, rabies, etc. The report states that information has been accumulated which will be of use in forming plans for the control of tuberculosis, a task which should soon be undertaken.

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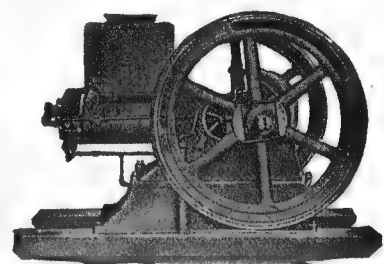
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with regard to the guaranteeing of railway bonds.

### Subsidies to Railways

The resolution was in the following terms: "That whereas our governments, both Dominion and Provincial, are subsidizing our railways by guaranteeing their bonds, frequently at extravagant amounts per mile; therefore be it resolved that in future more care should be exercised in spending public money and in bond guarantees, unless the government guaranteeing such bonds shall have a voice in the controlling of express and freight rates on such lines." Hon. J. A. Calder replied to this resolution and said he did not consider the Saskatchewan government had been extravagant in their bond guarantees, as they amounted to only \$13,000 a mile. As to controlling rates, that was outside their jurisdiction, being in the hands of the Dominion Railway Commission.

### Cheap Money Question

A resolution on the question of cheap money was presented and to this the government were able to reply that a commission had been appointed to hold an inquiry and legislation was before the House to carry out the recommendations contained in their report.

### Uniform Implement Contracts

A resolution on the question of implement contracts was presented to the government as follows: "That in the opinion of this convention the provincial government should be urged to pass legislation with regard to the adoption of a uniform implement agreement for the province of Saskatchewan." Hon. Mr. Calder explained with reference to this that a committee of the House was considering the question and taking evidence. The government did not consider that the Association's request went far enough and that something was required beside a uniform agreement. The committee consequently went into the whole question and heard the farmers and the implement men and everyone interested, and they decided that they could not decide upon a permanent policy at the present time. The matter, however, was not dead and would be taken up again. A resolution on the subject was also on the convention program.

### Mortgage Companies Object

Another resolution presented to the government asked for a change in the land mortgage law which would enable a mortgagee whose land had been sold under foreclosure to redeem it within a year on payment of all costs and interest. The reply to that was that a good deal of legislation had already been enacted in the province which gave other claims, such as hail insurance and gopher taxes, priority over a mortgage. The result was that mortgage companies were becoming dissatisfied and would not lend as much money on farm land in the province as formerly. That being so the government did not feel that it would be wise at present to do anything that would give lenders more trouble in getting their money. They were, however, very sympathetic to the idea and would give it consideration.

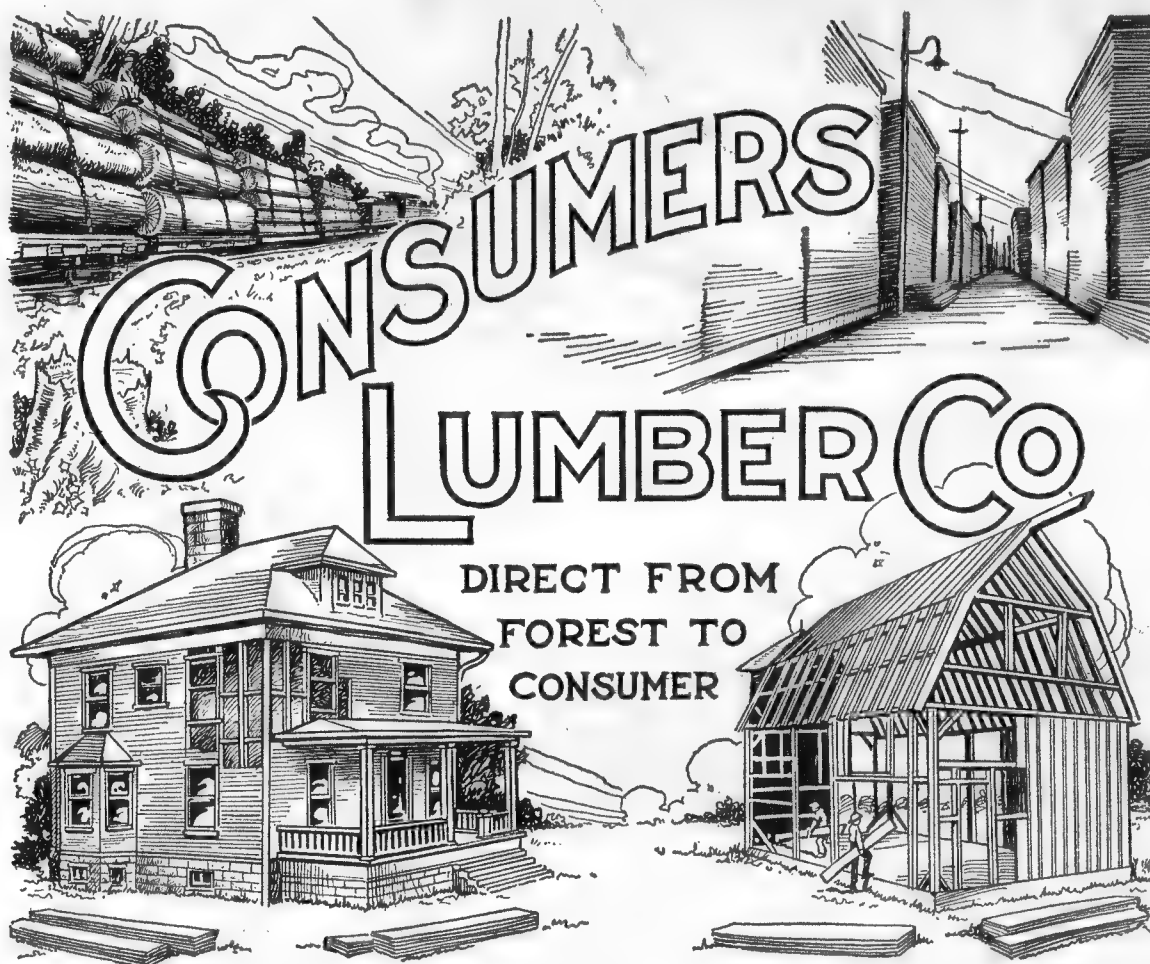
### Woman Suffrage

The next resolution submitted was: "Resolved that this convention is in favor of extending the franchise to women on the same terms as men," and to this the reply of the government was that the subject was a new one and that they wanted some stronger evidence than they had yet seen that the women wanted the vote before taking action. Mr. Gates was of opinion that if there was a strong demand by the women for the vote the government would give way.

### Public Ownership and Operation

Another resolution passed at Saskatoon was: "That this Association strongly favors public ownership and operation by an independent commission of all public utilities." To this the government said they were giving the commission plan a trial in the matter of hail insurance. They were of opinion, however, that many utilities could best be operated by the municipalities.

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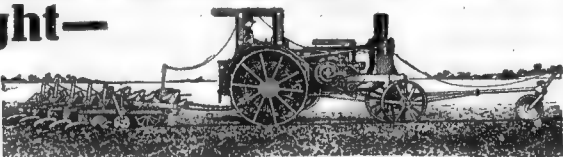
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adopt the Hail Insurance Act, where one portion was strongly for it and the other portion against, the reply was that the government would be glad to adopt an amendment to that effect. Nothing, however, had been done.

In conclusion Mr. Gates said the government received the directors very sympathetically. The ministers talked quite freely with them, and promised to give their views every consideration. It was, however, necessary that these matters should be continually pressed upon them in order to ensure action being taken.

### Too Much Soft-Soap

A delegate remarked that the government was seriously in danger of suffering from enlargement of the head. Such a profuse amount of generosity, consideration and thoughtfulness, and such a scarcity of actually doing something, was positively dangerous (laughter).

Mr. Scully, of Cut Knife, asked if it was a fact that the government had claimed that they had no power to control the freight and express rates on the lines they guaranteed the bonds for. Mr. Gates said that was so, and Mr. Scully remarked that the Manitoba government had that power and had exercised it.

A number of delegates expressed different opinions on this question, and President Maharg said that if the facts were in doubt there would not be much profit in discussing the question. He suggested it be left over for the present.

A delegate observed that it looked to him as if the executive had spent a good deal of time and perhaps money in laying



F. M. GATES, Fillmore  
Who Presented Directors' Report

these things before the government, and all they had got in reply was soft-soap, which nobody could eat. He asked Mr. Gates whether the government had done anything, or shown any signs of doing anything, that the executive had asked for.

Mr. Gates replied, "They certainly have." The delegate asked if that delegation did not show that it was time the Grain Growers stopped going to the government asking for things and set to work to get what they wanted themselves, a sentiment that met with hearty applause.

The report was then adopted.

### Life Membership Report

A report upon the standing of the Life Membership Fund was presented by A. W. Irwin, secretary-treasurer. The report showed that fifty-nine new life memberships had been taken out during the year, and that the total worth of the fund is now \$9,641.75. Of this \$8,700 is loaned on mortgages, and \$723.85 is deposited in the bank, while \$227.90 is due in interest. The interest on mortgages received during the past year amounted to \$584.20, and bank interest was \$20.15. From the fund \$818.95 was paid into the general funds of the Association during the past year.

### Report Adopted

Discussion of the secretary's report was taken up after lunch on Wednesday. The only criticism of importance was that more organization work should have been done. Mr. Green mentioned that the grant of The Grain Growers' Grain

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company last year was only \$1,000, instead of \$2,000, as it had been in the past, and questions were asked as to the reason of this. T. A. Crerar, President, of The Grain Growers' Grain company, said the executive of the company had voted a grant of \$2,000 and in November he sent Mr. Green a check for \$1,000, with a letter saying that \$2,000 had been granted and the other \$1,000 would be forwarded in March. A delegate asked Mr. Green if he had received this letter and he said he had. The secretary's report was adopted.

C. E. Flatt, of Tantallon, reported upon the visit of the delegation representing the Organized Farmers' Associations to the government at Ottawa on December 16 last, which has previously been dealt with in The Guide. Addresses were then given by T. A. Crerar, who brought greetings from the Manitoba Grain Growers, and W. J. Tregillus, President of the United Farmers of Alberta, who expressed the good wishes of the Alberta friends.

#### Women's Auxiliaries Constituted

The way was now clear for the consideration of resolutions, and the first taken up was one to amend the constitution so as to provide for the establishment of Women's Auxiliaries. Mr. Green said the constitution at present made no distinction between men and women, allowing the ladies, if they wished, to become full regular members. Many of them felt, however, that there should be a special organization for the discussion of problems in which the women were especially interested, and these amendments would provide for them. The proposal was that where there were ten or more ladies in any branch of the Association, they might form a women's auxiliary, with a separate treasurer, and appoint delegates to a women's convention, such as was being held at this time in another building. The amendments were adopted unanimously.

A resolution in favor of having the election of all officers and directors on the last day of the convention was defeated, it being explained that such a rule would be impossible to carry out owing to the time required to print ballots and conduct the numerous elections.

The third resolution in the program was as follows: "Whereas the interlocking of directorates is liable to restrain the actions of our conventions, and whereas it is not considered wise that this, a non-partisan body, should have as directors members of the legislature or of Parliament; therefore, be it resolved, and it is hereby resolved that no one shall be eligible for membership on our central board of directors who is a member of the legislature, of Parliament, of the board of directors of The Grain Growers' Grain company, or of the board of directors of the Co-operative Elevator company, unless he agrees to withdraw within one year from such other position, and also that any director or executive officer accepting appointment to any of these positions shall immediately forfeit his office in this Association."

C. A. Dunning explained that this resolution had been framed by the Resolution Committee, and was a consolidation of a number of resolutions sent in by different locals. He did not know who the mover or seconder would be. No one seemed anxious to move this resolution and eventually Mr. Benson said he would move it so that it could be voted down without delay. The seconder expressed a similar wish. Another delegate moved an amendment, substituting a proposition that no shareholder or employee of any line elevator company, except the Saskatchewan Co-operative Elevator company, should be permitted to become a member of the Association; but the president ruled this out of order as not being an amendment.

#### Resolution Tabled

Mr. Powell then moved that the resolution be laid on the table. This was seconded and put, the president first explaining that a motion to table a resolution had the effect, if carried, of preventing discussion, unless later on the convention decided to take the resolution off the table and consider it.

The motion to table the resolution carried on a show of hands by a large majority. It was evident, however, that some delegates desired to discuss the question and W. H. Lilwall moved immediately afterwards that the resolution be taken up. This was lost by an overwhelming majority and the matter was then allowed to drop.



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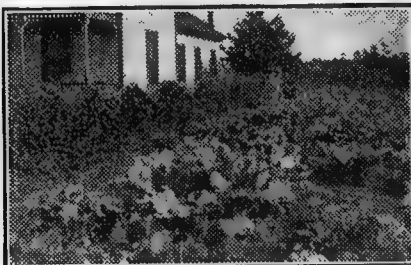
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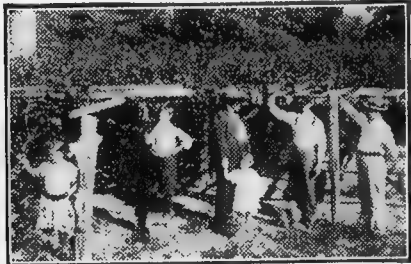
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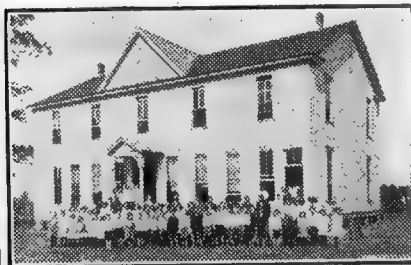
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Then we want real authentic baby pictures. For these we are offering prizes of one, two, three, four and five dollars. The cuteness of the position, the attractiveness of the baby and the quality of the photograph will all be taken into account.

Photographs of individuals, twins or triplets will be considered for prizes.

Any photographs which are not used will be returned and so that there will be no mistake, write the name of the child and the age on the back, also the name and address of sender.

We want photographs of children under three years of age and they should be mailed so as to reach us not later than March 10.

FRANCIS MARION BEYNON.

### CHOOSING A PROFESSION

Dear Miss Beynon:—I have read the many interesting letters on your page, and, like so many others, come to you for advice. I am a working girl of eighteen, thrown altogether on my own resources.

I am clerking in a general store at present and am just wondering if I could not improve my position by taking a business course. Do you think it would pay me to take a course in stenography or shorthand? About how long does it take to learn it? I am altogether at a loss to know what line of work pays best, as I am quite inexperienced yet, and I want your opinion as to what work pays best and is most in demand. I would try to save up enough thru the summer to take a business course in the winter, if you think I would profit much by it. I am pretty good at learning and don't expect any difficulty from that source.

You are putting up a good fight for the farmers' wives, and they thank you for it. I am a farmer's daughter myself and so will sign

PRAIRIE GIRL.

It depends upon what your talents are what course you ought to take. Find out what you would like best of all in the world to be and be it.

If it is a clerk, then make a study of people and your profession. Read all the books and magazines you can on salesmanship and merchandizing and take more interest in your work than you are paid for taking.

If you want to be a stenographer, study the business of your employer and his whims until you become the most valuable stenographer in his employ.

If you want it badly enough, there isn't anything you cannot be—doctor, lawyer, architect, domestic science teacher or physical director, providing only that you choose the profession you are fitted for.

As to the relative salaries in merchandizing and stenography, it depends entirely upon yourself. I know people in stores who are getting pay envelopes that would make most stenographers green with envy, and on the other hand some are very poorly paid indeed, while stenographers who make good draw very high salaries. The amount of cash you draw out of your work is in direct ratio to the amount of yourself you put into it.

F.M.B.

### AN AMERICAN READER

Dear Miss Beynon:—Greetings to you, and a blessing to many of us in the pleasure and benefit we receive thru reading your paper. Was highly pleased over much that "Equal Rights" said in your issue of January 21, yet think she misjudges the real facts as to the great humanitarian principles and wise statesmanship displayed by the noble men of the Lloyd George type in the Parliament of Great Britain.

### A Good Health Bread

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Miss Beynon, some of the good things I read under the heading of Country Homemakers prompted this letter, and if you see fit to publish it, or any part of it, do so, putting it in better form, possibly.

Yours very hopefully for women's rights and the land value taxing system,

EMILY.

### GOING TO CONVENTION

Dear Miss Beynon:—Will you please forward letter to Homeloving, poor girl! I like her letter so much and would like to know her. I think she must sure have heard from lots of ladies who would be glad to welcome a good girl into their homes. I have always longed for a girl, so as one was never sent me, we took a little fatherless girl into our hearts and home and should be very sorry to part with her now. I have not long been a reader of your paper, but like your talks fine.

Am a member of Lillian Laurie's page and have been so for years. I am interested in the Homemakers' Club, and as my husband is a delegate to the Moose Jaw convention, he is going to take me with him. I am too excited for words. Just fancy, I have not had a holiday for eleven years, when we left dear old England.

I intend to gather all information I can in view to starting a club here. I am sure the ladies would be only too pleased if we had someone to tell us how to start.

Did you ever hear of canaries nesting as early as this? The room where they are in got so cold that the water in the pails was frozen this morning. She had seven eggs under her, so I took three out because it is too much for them to raise so many. If any of the members would like to get a bird this year, if they will write me what they can afford, I will see about letting them have one. They are Mountain Rollers and are yellow and good singers.

RAMSGATE.

### BOYS AND GIRLS ARE EQUAL

Dear Miss Beynon:—Kindly allow me to take up a little space in your valuable paper, in answer to Wolf Willow's letter appearing in the issue of December 31. I feel hurt, as a woman, to think that anyone of our sex should appear so very narrow-minded as she seems to be. I wonder, if her family consisted of one girl and one boy, if she would train the boy to slight and look down on his sister because she happened to be a girl. I have one little girl, and should she have a brother, I shall certainly teach them that they are equal in the sight of God, the world, and me. That is my idea of how it should be. I think Wolf Willow must be well looked after by her men relatives, and in return she writes just what she thinks will please them. We know there are bad women as well as bad men, but I think if Wolf Willow knew what I know, she would know that the tempter is certainly as eager for the girls as the boys, if not more so, also that girls' betrayers go about in sheep's clothing. They carry no such trade mark as even painted faces, so that they would know them, to avoid them.

As regards the women when they get the vote being the majority, that could be avoided by allowing them to vote at twenty-five years of age, instead of twenty-one, when the men are of age to vote. I may say I am a staunch believer in women having the vote, as I think it would better conditions for all men and women.

ADA VINER.

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# Young Canada Club

By DIXIE PATTON

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If you have had some such experience tell us about it as cleverly as you can and be careful to observe the following rules:

Write in pen and ink and on one side of the paper only.

Remember to sign your name and address and to get one of your parents or your teacher to certify that the story is your own work and that the age given is correct.

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For the three best stories three books will be given as prizes, and I can promise you that they will be the kind of books young people like to read. One of the prize winners in the last contest wrote me that it was the prettiest story she had ever read in her life.

DIXIE PATTON.

## DOLLY DIMPLE'S ADVENTURE

A long time ago a little girl named Dolly Dimple lived with her father and mother in a big wood. One day she took her doll and went out to play. She walked and walked and at last found a place that just suited her to play house with her doll. It was a small piece of ground just the size of a play-house. It had a green grass carpet, brown walls and a green ceiling.

Dolly sat down on a small log which lay against a tree and went to sleep. Just then she heard a small voice beside her; she looked down and saw a tiny man, dressed in green.

He said, "Hello, little girl, will you come to the ball with me?" and Dolly said, "Yes." But then she thought of her doll and said, "Oh, I forgot, I have my doll."

Just then she heard another small voice behind her, just where the doll had fallen from her arms. She looked and saw her doll leaning on the arms of one of the little green men. The doll said, "Miss Dolly, I am going to the ball too."

So off they went till they came to another green house in the woods. All around the outsides of the place were tiny seats covered with green velvet. The little green man said to Dolly Dimple, "Come to the dressing room."

She did and at the door was a funny little man dressed in red, yellow and green. He touched her on the arm and she found herself the same size as he was. She went into the room and two little ladies dressed in maids' aprons said to her, "Come this way." They dressed her in a pink satin gown trimmed with lace.

They took her to the ball-room and there were a lot of other fairies, the men dressed in green and the ladies dressed in red, yellow, pink and all other pretty colored dresses. They were the fairies of the wood. They looked after the wild animals. This was a thanksgiving ball they were having. Just then something touched her elbow and she awoke from her sleep. She was just where she had lain down, only her father was bending over her.

She said, "Oh, father, I had such a fine dream." By the time she reached home it was time to go to bed.

VIOLET R. COOPER,  
Ethelwyn, Alta. Aged 13.

## A WASPY ADVENTURE

One day I went into the woods to pick raspberries. It was a fine cloudless day and I had prospects of getting a nice

lot. I found the berry patch and was soon busy. The berries were large and juicy and tasted fine. I had nearly filled my pail when I saw a better patch further on. So I climbed over a log to get to it when I heard a buzzing around me and felt something biting me. I ran out of the woods and hurried home. I found a wasp in my pail, so I knew that I had been stung by wasps. I was stung in five places on my arms and legs and they certainly did hurt. Hope I will be entitled to a button.

MARGARET EGGLESTON,  
Age 14.

## THE WISHES OF THREE CHILDREN A Fairy Tale

There was once a poor widow who had three children to support. She had to work from morning till night and she did not get much pay. The eldest was a girl of twelve, the next a boy about nine and the youngest a girl of seven. The eldest girl kept house and looked after the children while the mother was away working. The children often wished they were rich, yet they were happy and found lots of fun playing in the forest among the birds and flowers. They listened to the birds singing as the girls made wreaths from flowers, while the boy played with his bows and arrows made from the wood of trees.

One day while roaming thru the woods they suddenly came upon a beautiful path with all kinds of bright plumaged birds and pretty flowers. They gave a cry of delight and began to pick the pretty flowers and follow the birds. They wanted to see what was at the end of the path, and ran and walked until they came to a part where there were rubies and diamonds strewn about. The children gathered some of them, putting them in their pockets.

Eagerly they ran along thru diamonds and rubies and pearls, till at last they came to a beautiful palace studded with glittering jewels of all kinds. At the door was a beautiful fairy, who told them that she was going to take them into the palace to see the queen. But they were too big to go thru the door. So the fairy made them the same size as herself, then led them to see the fairy queen. They walked on gold and the walls and ceiling were gold, covered with crystal and precious stones. After going thru many halls and corridors they came into the presence of the queen. She saw the three children and asked the fairy, whose name was Snowdrop, who they were. Snowdrop said, "They are poor children whom I have brought to you to give one wish apiece."

The queen asked the eldest what she would like. She answered, "I want to be a princess, live in a castle and marry a handsome prince." The queen said, "Your wish is granted." Then she asked the second girl her wish. She said, "I want to be a fairy named 'Butterfly' and have a wand so I can wish what I want." The fairy queen said, "Alright, you may have your wish."

It was the boy's turn next, and he said, "I want to live with my mother always, and have a magic table that will spread itself with the best things to eat."

The queen was so pleased at his thought for his mother that she said he could have another wish. So he thanked the queen and said, "I would like to have a donkey and a blanket so that when I say a certain word gold will drop out of the donkey's mouth on the blanket." The fairy said "Yes," and after having something to eat out of crystal cups and gold plates, being served by little fairies, each departed to their own homes. The eldest sister went to her castle, the second one to fairyland, but the boy went home to his mother. She was not yet home, and when she did come home she was surprised at seeing him alone. He told her all that had happened and showed her how his magic table worked and how the donkey and blanket worked. She was delighted and said he was better than his sisters. So he lived with his mother, who did not have to work any more, and was happy ever afterwards.

The girls were not so happy. The first got tired of riches after a while, and the second found many troubles as a fairy.

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Rossetti, Sask. Age 11 years.

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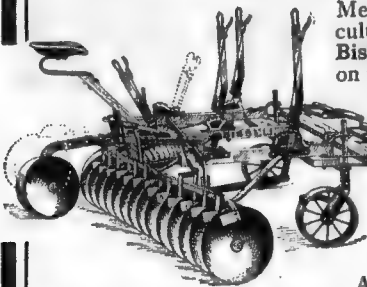
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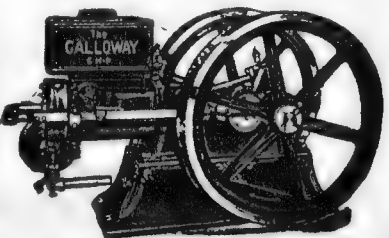
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## Cheap Money Report

C. A. Dunning presents the findings of the Saskatchewan Royal Commission  
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C. A. Dunning laid before the convention the report of the Royal Commission of farm credits, of which he was a member, and in connection with which he visited Europe last summer. The commission, he said, investigated a number of agricultural credit systems and found that they could be divided into three general classes. There was the landschaften system, found in Germany, which was purely co-operative and administered entirely by the farmers. There was the system in vogue in France, partly co-operative and partly governmental, which was managed jointly by the government and the farmers. The third was the purely governmental scheme in operation in Australia and New Zealand, where the government lent money directly to the farmers thru a department established for the purpose. The business of the commission was to devise a scheme suited to conditions in Saskatchewan and they realized at once that those conditions were, in many respects, different from those existing in Germany and France, and which made the systems in use in those countries suitable for their people. They therefore studied the Australian plan and were surprised to find that conditions there were just as different from those in this country as those of France and Germany. In Australia a great many of the borrowers were the owners of large estates; in fact, the average loan was from \$2,500 to \$3,000. It was also found that altho the various states of Australia had been lending money to their farmers for a number of years, some of them for twenty years, the aggregate amount which they had lent in all that great continent was only \$22,750,000. The farmers of Saskatchewan alone were at the present time carrying mortgages to the extent of \$65,000,000, so that evidently the farmers of Australia were small borrowers by comparison.

### Plan Recommended

The commission also thought there would be considerable danger in having the government of the province open a department for the lending of money. There was enough heard already about corruption, and he asked the convention to think of the possibilities such a scheme would open up to an unscrupulous politician. The commission consequently decided to recommend a scheme which would combine the best features of the Australian and European schemes, and which would be partly co-operative and partly governmental. The government's part of the scheme would be to pay the expenses of organization, to pay the salary of the managing commissioner for three years, and to guarantee unconditionally the bonds of the Saskatchewan Farm Mortgage Association which was to be established. The farmers' part was that they must form at least twenty-five local associations, composed of at least ten members each, who must pay a fee of \$10 each to show bonafides, and all of whom must be desirous of borrowing money. An important point was that each of the members of a local must be acceptable to every other member. Each member, on getting his loan, would give a first mortgage on his land, and every member, in addition to being liable for the amount of his own loan, would also be liable for the loans of his fellow-members to the extent of fifty per cent. of the amount he had borrowed himself. That was the great bugbear. The financial papers said there was nothing to fear from the Saskatchewan Farm Mortgage Association, because the farmers were too wise to back one another's mortgages. But he thought the farmers had sufficient of the co-operative spirit in them for this, if they would look into the question. Suppose a member was unable to pay his interest and his farm was sold under foreclosure, he would only borrow forty per cent. of its value. So it would have to be sold for sixty per cent. below the valuation before his fellow members would lose anything. Surely it would fetch at least twenty-five per cent. of the valuation, and if so, the other members would have to divide between them the loss of the other fifteen per cent. They would see, therefore, that the extra fifty per cent. liability was not a thing to be very much afraid

of, especially as they must always remember no one could join the Association and get a loan except by consent of all the other members.

### Advantages of Scheme

The provision of the additional liability, however, was of value in giving confidence to the investor in Great Britain, to whom they would look for the money. Mr. Dunning also explained the new features of the plan. At present, he said, they had a short term mortgage system, which, in reality, was a long term mortgage system, with frequent renewals and compound interest. Under the new scheme loans would be repayable over a term of from fifteen to thirty-five years, with a fixed annual payment, including interest and a portion of the principal. At present a great many farmers were paying \$80 in interest on a loan of \$1,000, and under this plan, if the money could be obtained at six per cent. interest, an annual payment of \$80 would not only pay the interest, but would extinguish the debt itself in twenty-four years. One of the secrets of success in a scheme of this kind was to keep down expenses,



C. A. DUNNING  
Retiring Vice-President Saskatchewan G.G.A.  
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and therefore they proposed that the scheme should be administered by a commission of three or five members, only one of whom should receive a salary. They would also save money by not having to pay commissions to agents or collectors. In addition to the commission, there would be an advisory board, to watch the commission if they liked, and on this board he hoped such organizations as the Grain Growers' association, and the University, and other bodies should be represented. Mr. Dunning dwelt particularly upon the benefits which he anticipated would come from the scheme.

### Community of Interests

Thru the co-operative feature every man in the Association, he pointed out, would have a direct personal interest in the welfare and prosperity of every other member of his local and this community of interests, he hoped, would have beneficial effects in many ways. Eventually the commission hoped the Association would become sufficiently strong to be able to dispense with the government's guarantee of its bonds, and would be able to sell its securities on their own basis. For the present that was impossible and consequently it was recognized that the government should have the right to appoint the commission or management, but as the Association became independent, that power would be handed over.

Mr. Dunning answered a number of questions in explanation of points which were not clear to the delegates, and a motion was then made that the convention approve of the report of the commission, which was carried unanimously.

## Work of Convention

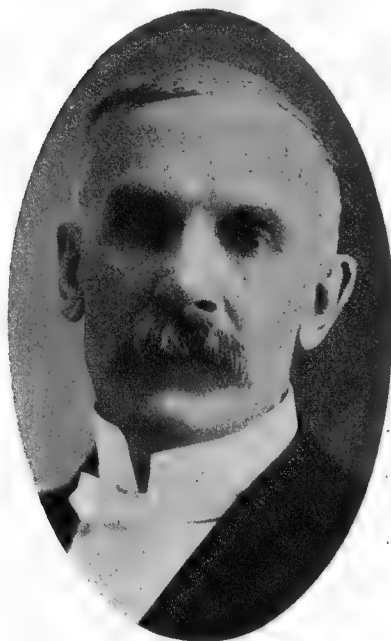
Many Important Questions disposed of—Fair Direct Legislation Vote Wanted.  
Election of Officers

### President Maharg Re-elected

Mr. Maharg, before calling for nominations for president, said he hoped the convention would allow him to retire. He had been president for three years and thought it was time someone else was put into the position. He had been appointed president of the Saskatchewan Co-operative Elevator company and said he thought it would be better that he should not hold both positions. In answer to a question, Mr. Maharg stated, however, that he would not positively refuse if the convention desired to re-appoint him. Mr. Maharg was nominated by several delegates. In accordance with a resolution passed on the previous day, nominations were kept open for ten minutes and F. W. Green, C. A. Dunning, and J. B. Musselman were nominated, but all declined to stand. Mr. Maharg was consequently unanimously re-elected, amid great enthusiasm, and in expressing his thanks said he would rather be president of the Saskatchewan Grain Growers' association than Premier of Canada.

### Mr. Hawkes Vice-President

The following were nominated for the



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office of Vice-President: J. B. Musselman, Cupar; Thomas Sales, Langham; A. G. Hawkes, Percival; C. E. Platt, Tantallon; Jas. Robinson, Moosomin; W. M. Thrasher, Dinsmore. A ballot was taken and Mr. Hawkes elected by a large majority.

### Directors at Large

Seventeen nominations were received for directors at large and those elected by ballot were: Hon. George Langley, Regina; F. W. Green, Moose Jaw; C. E. Platt, Tantallon; W. J. Thompson, Warman, and J. B. Musselman, Cupar.

### Central Co-operative Agency

J. B. Musselman moved: Whereas this convention is in favor of co-operative trading by the members of this Association under the provisions of the Agricultural Co-operative Societies Act; therefore, be it resolved that the board of directors be instructed to make immediate arrangements to act as purchasing and selling agents for any locals of this Association which may organize under the said act, and for such other organized bodies or members of the Association, as the executive may see fit. Such arrangements may, if deemed advisable by the executive, involve the formation of a special department to undertake the trading and organization work of this Association. And if such department is organized, an official shall be put in full charge of the same, who shall be responsible solely to the executive.

Mr. Musselman said it was necessary, in order that the local Associations throughout the province might get the best results from the new co-operative movement, that there should be a central purchasing agency for the province.

The farmers were enormous buyers and an agency which could purchase their supplies in bulk would be able to make very favorable terms with wholesalers and manufacturers. There were two other agencies which might act as purchasing agent, The Grain Growers' Grain company and the Saskatchewan Co-operative Elevator company. The first of these companies, however, was not a provincial concern, but had large interests in their province; while the second had its hands full already and was not anxious to undertake further responsibility. The Grain Growers' association, moreover, had its branches spread all over the province and reached many places where neither of the companies referred to was represented, and he thought the Association was the best agency they could adopt.

Thomas Sales, of Langham, seconded, and after a number of questions had been asked and answered, the resolution was unanimously adopted.

### For Closer Relationship

Hon. George Langley moved the following resolution, which was carried without discussion: Resolved that this convention favor the establishment of closer relationship between the various farmers' companies.

A motion in favor of asking the legislature to put the Hail Insurance Act into force in every municipality in the province, but permitting any resident land-owner to withdraw from assessment and benefits, was brought before the convention, but did not find favor and was laid on the table.

### Unanimous Against Liquor Traffic

The convention voted unanimously to banish the bar-rooms of the province. A resolution was on the order paper in the following terms: That this Association place itself on record as being opposed to the retail sale of liquor over the bar. On this being proposed, it was moved that the words "over the bar" be struck out, so that the sale of liquor in clubs as well as hotels might be condemned. This amendment was accepted and the resolution then carried by a unanimous standing vote.

### Railway Employees Soliciting Grain

A resolution which aroused considerable interest was the following, moved by C. A. Dunning:

Whereas agents of railroad companies have been known to solicit shipments for elevator or commission firms, resulting in discrimination in the allotment of cars; and whereas farmers frequently feel obliged to bill their cars of grain in accordance with the solicitations of the railway companies' agents; therefore, be it resolved that this convention favors an amendment to the Grain Act prohibiting any employee of a railway company, directly or indirectly, soliciting shipments to or receiving remuneration from any firm or persons dealing in or handling grain, or from any one acting on a grain firm's behalf.

Thos. Acheson, general grain agent of the C.P.R., was asked to explain the position of the railway companies in this matter, and said the practice of which the resolution complains was quite contrary to the rules of the railway companies, and he was surprised to know that it was still being done. Whenever he heard of it, the man was warned and if he continued he was dismissed. Neither the railway employees nor their families were permitted to work for grain companies, and if any C.P.R. employees were doing so, he asked that the matter be reported to him, promising that he would see it was at once stopped. In reply to a question, Mr. Atchison said men who only had charge of the car order book at a flag station were not agents of the railway company, but if any of these men were not satisfactory to the farmers of the locality, he would change them.

The resolution was laid on the table.

### Direct Legislation Vote Wanted

Direct Legislation came before the convention in the following resolution: Resolved that this convention again declares itself in favor of the principles of Direct Legislation by the Initiative, the Referendum, and the Recall, and

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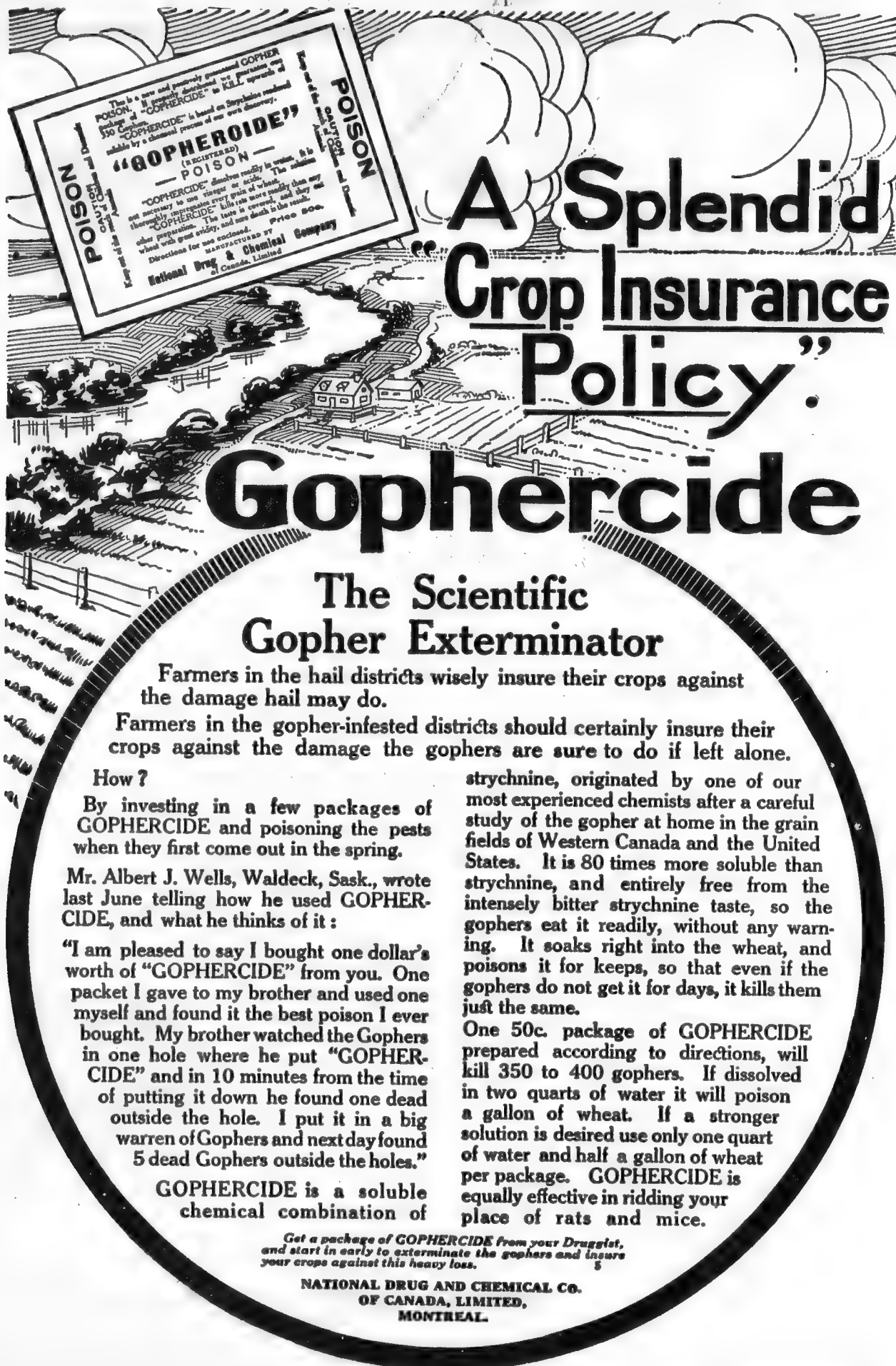
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## President Maharg's Address

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### Changing Implement Note Dates

We have tried to arrange a conference with the Manufacturers' Association to see, among other matters, if a change in the due date of notes given for machinery could not be made in order that farmers might not be forced to market their grain so hurriedly. However, up to the present we have not been able to arrange for this meeting. Should we not be able to arrange for the changing of the due date of implement notes, then there is only one thing for us to do, and that is to take the matter in our own hands and deal with it ourselves. This may take considerable time, but, nevertheless, we can do it if we only go about it in the right manner. I feel very keenly on this matter as some of the practices that have come under my notice recently have been nothing short of outrageous.

### Co-operative Spirit rather than Profits

You ask, how would we accomplish this? The first thing necessary would be to perfect our organization—place it on a basis at least equal to any other organization we might have to deal with. The first and greatest essential of all is right within our reach and can be had free of charge. This great essential is the spirit of true co-operation. There is some diversity of opinion as to the interpretation of the word "Co-operation." A great many people say it is the entering into a commercial enterprise—buying or selling or both on a co-operative basis, laying great importance on the distribution of profits co-operatively. Now, if there is nothing more behind co-operation than the distribution of profits on any basis, I am afraid it will fail of accomplishing its purpose. Right here is where the difficulty arises in keeping our Association together. We have no profits to distribute, and a great many of our people fail to see the indirect benefits which undoubtedly do come to them thru the efforts of our Association. Unless we can see, and be largely satisfied with the indirect benefit coming from our work, we will be a long time in accomplishing our purpose.

### Many Remedies Suggested

In the past we have been looking far afield for the solution of existing troubles, and largely overlooking the possibilities that lie within our reach. I believe the better method to adopt would be to seize hold of those things that are within our reach, make use of them as much as possible, and at the same time we will unconsciously be paving the road for securing some of those reforms which at present seem to be out of our reach. There are a great number of remedies advanced, which their different advocates claim would be a panacea for all our troubles. Among those things suggested are: Free Trade, Direct Taxation, Direct Legislation, Reciprocity with the United States, etc. While there is no doubt some of these would be of great benefit, yet I do not think any one of them would act as a cure-all. What is wanted is a general recognition by all classes of the importance of agriculture, and an honest desire by them to assist in placing it on a basis equal to that of any other industry—making it an occupation that will draw people to it, instead of driving them away as is being done at present. In soliciting the aid of the other classes in our province, I am not asking them to assist us in gaining any special favors whatever. All we ask is that they assist us to have agriculture placed in the position its importance entitles it to. Were this done, there is no doubt in my mind whatever as to the prosperity of our province as a whole.

The financial stringency we are now passing thru is not without its blessings. To me the only regrettable feature is that it did not come two years sooner. Had it come then its effects would not have been so serious. Speculation would have been nipped in its infancy, and a large amount of money that is now finding its way into the pockets of the few would be used for the benefit of the many.

### Socializing of the People

The socializing of the many different nationalities entering our province is now being recognized as one of the most difficult problems confronting us, and one that will have to receive serious consideration in the very near future. In connection with this problem, our Association, which is composed of almost every nationality in the world, and taking no cognizance whatever of race or creed,

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### Appealing to Prejudices

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has been altogether too much of an appeal  
made to the prejudices of our people.  
The sooner we recognize that prejudice  
is a very poor foundation to build on,  
the better it will be for us. Rather should  
we appeal to the good, sound common-  
sense of our people, thru the principles  
underlying our movement.

### Need for Optimism

Altho times are rather hard, and the  
outlook is not very encouraging, still the  
darkest cloud always has a silver lining.  
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I have seen darker clouds by far than those  
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machinery of various kinds has been  
created, all of which is designed to be  
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therefore, we may discuss many questions  
in this convention which more or less  
remotely affect our well-being, I am hoping  
to hear this convention referred to in the  
future as the "Mutual Self-help Con-  
vention," because of the spirit of true  
co-operation generated here and spread  
by the delegates all over the province.

Respectfully yours,

J. A. MAHARG,  
President.

## Work of Convention

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that we ask the Provincial Government  
to pass this law, or again submit the  
question to a Referendum of the voters  
at the next provincial election, as we  
believe a large majority of the electors  
are in favor of this reform.

An amendment to add the words, "and  
that majority vote be sufficient to bring  
it into force," was adopted without  
discussion, but there was a short debate  
as to whether the vote should be taken  
at the provincial or municipal elections.  
One delegate moved to substitute munici-  
pal for provincial, but it was pointed  
out that this would be unworkable on  
account of the municipal and provincial  
voting qualifications being different. Hon.  
George Langley supported this view.  
There had been statements made, he  
said, as to the want of bonafides on the  
part of the government, and he hoped  
that the convention would not ask for  
anything that would cause a muddle.  
They should either ask for another special  
Referendum, without conditions as to  
numbers, or for a vote at the provincial  
election when every one would be at the  
polls, and in that case a bare majority  
should be sufficient to carry it into law  
(applause). The amendment to ask for  
the vote at a municipal election was  
defeated and the motion then carried  
unanimously.

### Support for The Guide

Appreciation of The Guide as the  
official organ of the Association was  
expressed in a resolution placed before  
the convention by C. A. Dunning as  
follows: That this convention is in favor  
of supporting our official organ, The  
Grain Growers' Guide, in every possible  
way, and we recommend to all our mem-  
bers that in making their purchases, either  
individually or co-operatively, they pat-  
ronize those firms that advertise in The  
Guide.

The resolution was seconded by Mr.  
McGregor. Jas. Findlay, of Wiseton,  
said he thought it was the duty of every  
grain grower in the three provinces to  
canvas for The Guide. He believed the  
whole future of the Grain Growers'  
movement depended on the success of  
that paper. A number of delegates rose  
to support the motion, but the president  
said there was no need of much discussion.  
The Guide was their own official organ  
and they were all in favor of it. The  
resolution was carried unanimously.

### Parcel Post

A resolution expressing the opinion  
that no compensation should be given  
to express companies for the loss which  
they claim they will sustain thru the

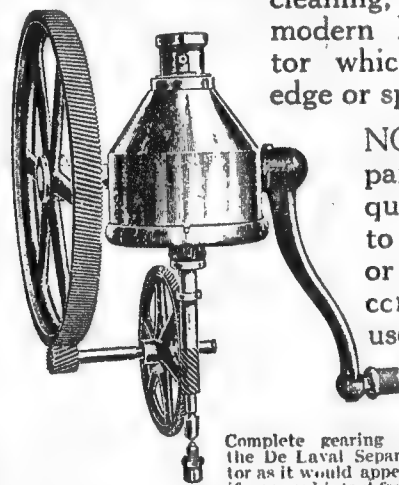
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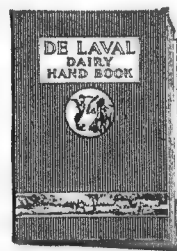
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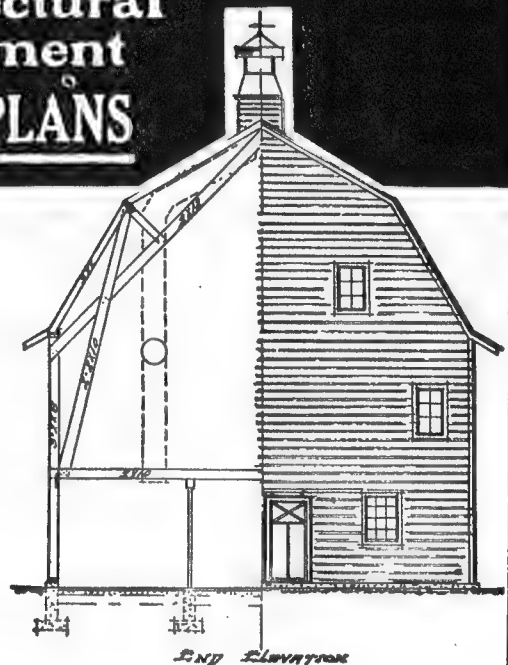
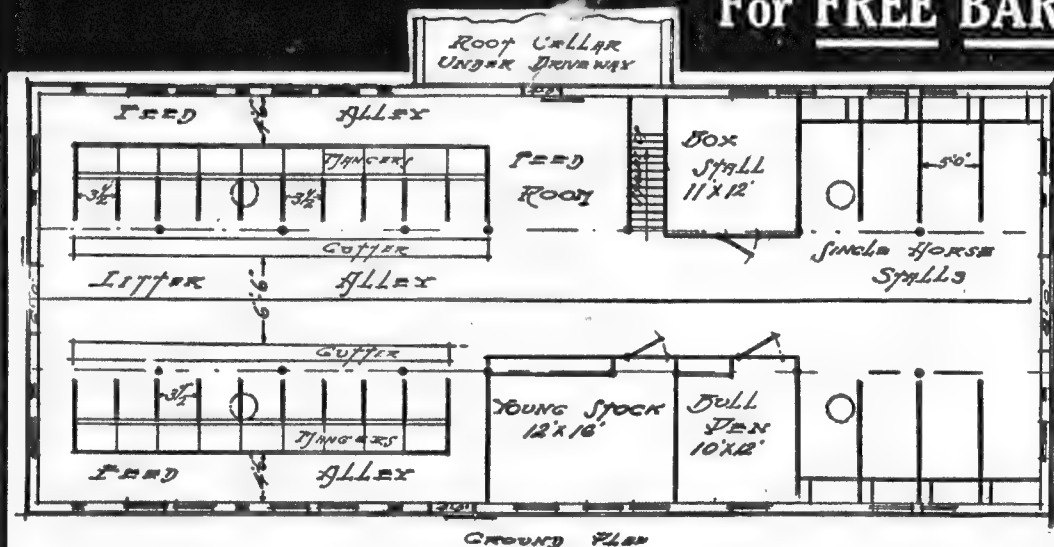
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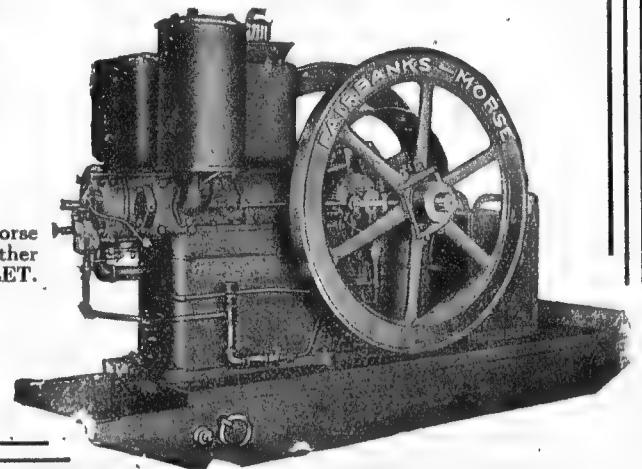
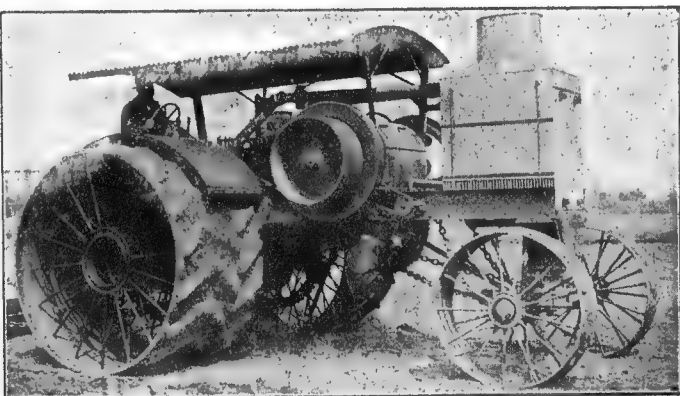
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# The Farmers' Market

## WINNIPEG MARKET LETTER

(Office of The Grain Growers' Grain Company Limited, February 14, 1914)

Wheat—Wheat ruled rather firm the past week, with a higher range attained, and while the volume of business in this market was only moderate, it was of better class, which put a healthier tone on the situation here and closed a full cent higher. There were several important sustaining factors available. The more important was probably the losses reported in the Argentine Republic, and a further reduction in the exportable surplus of that country. The new and lowered estimates ranged between thirty-six million bushels and forty-eight million bushels. In addition to the smaller yield is the poor quality of the grain. A special Liverpool cable, in referring to the short crop of Argentine, says in part: "The shortage in Argentina is not being felt to a marked degree, as their good wheat is being held above an export parity and most of the offers are poor grade, and Russian and European offers are larger and increase on each advance." There was a fair trade in cash wheat in this market on export account, also competing countries, with the exception of Australia and Argentina, have been offering cash wheat more freely. It has been expected that Russia would sell liberally with the opening of navigation, but the International Review, which was received by special cable, reports Russia as financially strong and that while the surplus of wheat is supposed to be large, it is likely that their wheat will not be forced upon the market, and possibly part of their surplus will be carried over until next season. New revised estimates given out by Broomhall show the world's surplus of wheat as 552,000,000 bushels, compared with requirements of 628,000,000 bushels. A striking point in the revision is that first India and Argentina, having very poor crops, growers are holding more firmly than had crops been normal, and disappointment in Australia had similar effect; secondly the absence of active competition in the Southern Hemisphere and India has naturally thrown a larger demand upon North America and Russia.

Oats—Business in this grain was of fair proportions, within a moderate range and the close was at prices 1/4 over last week for the May Option, and almost a cent higher for spot 2 C.W.'S. There appears to be a good demand for the cash article at the going prices, which figures out a fraction better than the carrying charge to May. Country offerings about the same. Situation generally not much changed. No. 2 C.W. closed at 34 1/2 in store.

Barley—A better demand and a scarcity of offerings have greatly improved prices here this week, the close showing almost a cent gain for the week. No. 3 C.W. selling for 42 1/2, with No. 4 C.W. 1 cent less. Flax—Flax advanced about 2 cents this week on good buying here and the stronger Duluth market. A fair demand for cash article and continued small offerings from the country will no doubt soon have its effect on this grain. May option closed today at \$1.34 1/2, with 1 N.W.C. selling for 4 1/2 cents lower.

### WINNIPEG FUTURES

Wheat—	May	July	Oct.
Feb. 10.....	91 1/2	93 1/2	88 1/2
Feb. 11.....	92 1/2	93 1/2	88 1/2
Feb. 12.....	92 1/2	93 1/2	88 1/2
Feb. 13.....	92 1/2	93 1/2	88 1/2
Feb. 14.....	92 1/2	93 1/2	88 1/2
Feb. 16.....	92 1/2	93 1/2	88 1/2
Oats—	May	July	Oct.
Feb. 10.....	36 1/2	37 1/2	34 1/2
Feb. 11.....	36 1/2	37 1/2	34 1/2
Feb. 12.....	36 1/2	37 1/2	34 1/2
Feb. 13.....	36 1/2	37 1/2	34 1/2
Feb. 14.....	36 1/2	37 1/2	34 1/2
Feb. 16.....	36 1/2	37 1/2	34 1/2
Flax—	May	July	Oct.
Feb. 10.....	134 1/2	137 1/2	133 1/2
Feb. 11.....	134 1/2	137 1/2	133 1/2
Feb. 12.....	134 1/2	137 1/2	133 1/2
Feb. 13.....	134 1/2	137 1/2	133 1/2
Feb. 14.....	134 1/2	137 1/2	133 1/2
Feb. 16.....	135 1/2	138 1/2	134 1/2

### MINNEAPOLIS CASH SALES

(Sample Market, Feb. 14)

No. 1 hard wheat, 1 car	80.94 1/2
No. 1 hard wheat, 3 cars	81.00
No. 1 Nor. wheat, 1 car, sample	81.00
No. 1 Nor. wheat, 3 cars	81.00
No. 2 Nor. wheat, 1 car, dockage	80.91 1/2
No. 2 Nor. wheat, 1 car, sample	80.91 1/2
No. 3 wheat, 1 car, bin burnt	80.85
No. 3 wheat, 1 car	80.85
Rejected wheat, 2 cars	80.85
Rejected wheat, 1 car	80.85
No. 1 mixed wheat, 1 car	80.92 1/2
Sample grade wheat, 1 car	80.90
Screenings, 1 car	80.75
Screenings, 1 car	80.75
No. 1 durum wheat, 2 cars, mixed	83.00
No. 2 durum wheat, 2 cars	88 1/2
No. 3 white oats, 1 car	36 1/2
No. 3 oats, 1 car	34 1/2
No. 4 white oats, 1 car	35 1/2
No. 2 rye, part car	55 1/2
No. 2 rye, 1 car	56 1/2
No. 2 rye, 2 cars	55 1/2
No. 2 feed barley, 1 car	49 1/2
Sample barley, 1 car	47 1/2

No. 2 feed barley, 1 car	53 1/2
No. 4 barley, 2 cars	57 1/2
Sample barley, 1 car	51 1/2
Sample barley, 1 car	51 1/2
Sample barley, 1 car	54 1/2
No. 1 feed barley, 2 cars	50 1/2
No. 2 feed barley, 1 car	44 1/2
No. 1 feed barley, 1 car	49 1/2
No. 2 feed barley, part car	49 1/2
Sample barley, 1 car	53 1/2
No. 4 barley, 1 car	54 1/2
No. 2 feed barley, 1 car	50 1/2
Sample barley, 1 car	57 1/2
No. 1 feed barley, 3 cars	55 1/2
No. 2 feed barley, 2 cars	52 1/2
Sample barley, 1 car	55 1/2
Sample barley, 1 car	50 1/2
Sample barley, 2 cars	48 1/2
Sample barley, 1 car	49 1/2
Sample barley, 1 car	50 1/2
Sample barley, 2 cars, Montana	60 1/2
No. 1 feed barley, 1 car	53 1/2
No. 1 flax, 1 car	1.52
No. 1 flax, 1 car	1.53
No. 1 flax, 1 car	1.54
No. 1 flax, 1,000 bu., to arrive	1.52 1/2
No. 1 flax, 2 cars	1.53 1/2
No. 1 flax, 1 car, dockage	1.54 1/2

### LIVERPOOL WHEAT MARKET

Liverpool, Feb. 14, 1914.—

	Close	Prev.
Manitoba No. 1, per bushel	\$1.07	\$1.07
Manitoba No. 2, per bushel	1.05 1/2	1.05 1/2
Manitoba No. 3, per bushel	1.04 1/2	1.04 1/2
Futures Steady		
March, per bushel	1.05 1/2	1.04 1/2
May, per bushel	1.05 1/2	1.05 1/2
July, per bushel	1.05 1/2	1.05 1/2
Based on exchange on which prices per bushel are based is 4 1/2 3/4.—Winnipeg Free Press.		
The disappointing American cables caused pressure at opening, but later the decline was recovered by good support. There are firmer and fewer Manitoba offers, with an improved demand for spot, which shows a hardening tendency. The Modern Miller's report and expecta-		

tions of larger American ships, as shown by Bradstreets, served to check the advance. Market closed dull but steady.

### STOCKS IN TERMINALS

Fort William, Feb. 14, 1914.—	1914	1913
1 Hard .....	56,211.00	73,124.00
1 Nor. ....	5,098,476.00	1,238,553.40
2 Nor. ....	5,487,435.40	3,072,717.00
3 Nor. ....	1,049,133.50	2,596,958.20
No. 4 .....	204,793.30	772,279.30
Others .....	996,576.33	4,850,321.50
This week	10,882,656.33	This week 12,598,754.00
Last week	10,874,206.13	Last week 12,707,531.50
Increase ..	8,450.20	Decrease 108,777.50
Oats	1914	1913
1 C.W. ....	8,848.19	92,632.24
2 C.W. ....	2,241,740.15	1,278,486.22
3 C.W. ....	1,167,803.21	355,075.25
Ex. 1 Fed. ..	87,875.29	503,752.26
Others .....	551,353.22	2,200,080.26
This week	3,837,692.04	This week 4,351,232.21
Last week	3,898,996.18	Last week 4,290,680.27
Decrease ..	41,374.14	Increase 60,551.28

Barley	1914	1913
1 C.W. ....	899,808.39	1 N.W.C. 2,383,797.33
2 C.W. ....	248,475.34	2 C.W. .... 162,566.23
3 C.W. ....	94,043.06	3 C.W. .... 46,216.50
Feed .....	14,795.17	Others .....
Others .....	21,908.35	55,716.52
This week	1,221,431.34	This week 2,648,297.46
Last week	1,289,765.01	Last week 2,614,304.07
Decrease ..	68,333.15	Increase 33,993.39
Last year's total	1,782,242.35	Last year's total 2,920,928.00

### SHIPMENTS

	Wheat	Oats	Barley	Flax
1914 (rail) .....	214,219	173,098	103,325	27,802
(lake) .....	25,845			
1913 .....	696,635	127,885	22,236	1,407

## Winnipeg Live Stock

### Stockyard Receipts

Receipts at the Winnipeg yards for the past week amounted to 7,336 cattle and 9,513 hogs. The great bulk of the trade is being handled at the Union yards, and most of the dealers have moved their headquarters from the C.P.R. to the new stockyards. Last year during the corresponding week, the total receipts were 743 cattle, 32 calves, and 1,996 hogs.

The cattle trade this past week has been the slowest of the season. From 25 to 40 cents have been trimmed off most classes of butcher stock. Choice cattle were scarce, but those few that arrived showed most quality and were the best finished for a good while. The top figure of the week was \$7.50, but this was fully 25 cents lower than the same quality would have fetched last week. A good class of steers and heifers are selling from \$6.00 to \$6.50; good fat cows, \$5.50 to \$6.00. Choice oxen, \$5.25 to \$5.50. Stockers and feeders unchanged, with few coming forward. Milk and cream prices are almost unobtainable. Choice veals are worth \$7.00 to \$7.50, heavy calves \$5.50 to \$6.00.

A big supply of hogs has come in during the week, but the firm demand has kept trading brisk and prices firm. The bulk of the offerings are

## WINNIPEG AND U.S. PRICES

Closing prices on the principal western markets on Saturday, February 14, were:

Cash Grain	Winnipeg	Minneapolis
1 Nor. wheat .....	\$0.88 1/2	\$0.93 1/2
2 Nor. wheat .....	86 1/2	91 1/2
3 Nor. wheat .....	84 1/2	88 1/2
3 White oats .....	33 1/2	36 1/2
Barley .....	39 1/2-42 1/2	45-64
Flax, No. 1 .....	1.30	1.54 1/2

Futures—  
May wheat ..... 92 1/2 | 90 1/2 || July wheat ..... | 93 1/2 | 92 1/2 |
Beef Cattle, top .....	\$7.50	\$9.50
Hogs, top .....	8.40	8.65
Sheep, yearlings .....	5.50	7.00

selling at \$8.35 to \$8.40, fed and watered, at the Union yards, and \$8.50 off cars at the old C.P.R. yards. Packers are grading more carefully nowadays and quality is counting for more. Little light pigs under 125 lbs. are not wanted. Indications are for a steady market at present quotations.

Sheep and Lambs  
Not enough of these are coming in to make a market. Prices are the same as have been quoted for some weeks.

## Country Produce

Note.—Quotations are f.o.b. Winnipeg, except those for cream, which are f.o.b. point of shipment.

Butter  
Dairy butter stocks are still heavy, and on the No. 2 class of stuff there has been a reduction. Fancy dairy holds level at 23 cents, No. 1 at 19-20 cents, and good round lots 16-17 cents. A good deal of butter is coming in from Manitoba creameries and quite a lot of poor dairy butter has found its way into the city. Montreal and Eastern markets are down, so that anything except real fresh stuff is apt to go weaker. Retail price in Winnipeg for best dairy is 30 cents.

Eggs  
Fresh eggs are lower, due to heavy importations of good fresh Southern eggs, chiefly from Nebraska and Kansas. No candled eggs are coming in from Manitoba and few of the strictly fresh. Retail prices range from 40 cents for fresh Southern eggs to 50 cents for new laid Manitoba's.

Potatoes  
Potatoes are unchanged, a good steady outlet being available in Winnipeg for those offering, at 75 to 85 cents per bushel, in sacks. Retail prices are \$1.25 to \$1.40 per bushel.

Milk and Cream  
Milk and cream prices remain unchanged to the country. The depression in butter values has prevented the seasonal advances in sweet and butter-making cream. The present scale of quotations will probably hold good thruout February.

Dressed Poultry  
Poultry supplies keep coming in, but only in small quantities. Prices are unchanged both to the country producer and retail to the city housewives.

Dressed Meats  
Dressed meats are practically the same, pork 10-10 1/2 cents, beef 12 1/2 cents, mutton 13-13 1/2 cents, veal 13 cents and spring lamb 15-15 1/2 cents. Pork and mutton are fetching slightly better prices, as the live weight values have risen.

Hay  
Hay prices are at the same level and the trade is normal. Deliveries are coming in fairly and the demand is keeping up well.

Hides, Wool, Tallow  
Hides—Cured hides, 1 1/2 to 12 cents per lb., delivered in Winnipeg; frozen green hides, 10 1/2 to 11 cents; western branded hides, 10 1/2 to 11 cents; sheepskins and lambskins, 25 to 50 cents each. Tallow—No. 1 tallow is worth 5 to 5 1/2 cents lb.; No. 2, 4 to 4 1/2 cents, delivered to the trade.

Wool—Manitoba wool is bringing 10 1/2 cents to 11 1/2 cents per lb. for coarse; 11 1/2 to 12 1/2 cents for medium.  
Seneca Root—43 to 46 cents per pound.

### CALGARY LIVESTOCK

Calgary, Feb. 14, 1914.—Receipts of livestock at Calgary this week were as follows: 660 cattle, 1,290 sheep, 8,217 hogs, and 185 horses. There were very few cattle on the market this week, but still the market had a weak tone. While some good steers made \$7.15, it only took a few cattle to supply the buyers. We do not look for a strong cattle market for the coming week. Hogs continue to go high, with a very strong demand for the good hog, one top load selling for \$8.25, while the small hog is very hard to sell and would make more money in the country. There were eleven cars shipped to Seattle this week, also five cars were shipped to the East by the Swift Canadian company. The market looks good for the coming week.

### CHICAGO LIVESTOCK

Chicago, Feb. 14.—Notwithstanding a big left-over supply, the hog market today showed decided strength. The number of fresh arrivals was small and there was a good demand from the East. What few cattle came in found ready sale. Sheep and lambs were neglected; only the minor killers manifesting any interest.  
Cattle—Receipts 200; steady. Beeves, \$7.00 to \$9.50; Texas steers, \$6.80 to \$8.00; western, \$6.60 to \$7.85; stockers and feeders, \$5.50 to \$8.00; cows and heifers, \$5.50 to \$8.50; calves, \$7.50 to \$10.25.  
Hogs—Receipts 9,000; slow, strong to 5 cents higher. Bulk of sales, \$8.45 to \$8.60; light, \$8.30 to \$8.60; mixed, \$8.35 to \$8.50; heavy, \$8.25 to \$8.65; rough, \$8.25 to \$8.85; pigs, \$7.50 to \$8.45.  
Sheep—Receipts 2,500; weak. Native, \$4.75 to \$5.00; western, \$4.75 to \$5.75; yearlings, \$5.75 to \$7.00; lambs, native, \$6.80 to \$7.85; western, \$6.80 to \$7.95.

### Cash Prices Fort William and Port Arthur from February 10 to February 16 inclusive

Date	WHEAT						OATS						BARLEY				FLAX			
	1°	2°	3°	4	5	6	Feed	2CW	3CW	Ex. 1 Fed	1 Fed	2 Fed	No. 3	No. 4	Rej.	Feed	1NW	2CW	3CW	Rej.
Feb 10	88	86	84 1/2	79 1/2	72	67	62	33 1/2	33	33 1/2	32 1/2	32	41 1/2	40 1/2	..	..	120 1/2	126 1/2	..	..
11	88 1/2	86 1/2	84 1/2	80	73	67 1/2	62 1/2	34	33	33 1/2	32 1/2	32	42	40 1/2	..	..	129	126 1/2	..	..
12	88 1/2	86 1/2	84 1/2	80	73	67 1/2	62 1/2	34 1/2	33 1/2	33 1/2	32 1/2	32 1/2	42	40 1/2	..	..	129 1/2	126 1/2	..	..
13	88 1/2	86 1/2	84 1/2	80 1/2	73 1/2	67 1/2	62 1/2	34 1/2	33 1/2	33 1/2	33	32 1/2	42 1/2	40 1/2	..	..	129 1/2	126 1/2	..	..
14	88 1/2	86 1/2	84 1/2	80 1/2	73 1/2	67 1/2	62 1/2	34 1/2	33 1/2	33 1/2	33	32 1/2	42 1/2	40 1/2	..	..	130	127	..	..
16	89 1/2	87 1/2	85 1/2	81 1/2	74	68	63	34 1/2	33 1/2	33 1/2	33 1/2	32 1/2	43 1/2	41 1/2	40 1/2	40	131	128	115	..

### THE MARKETS AT A GLANCE

### CORRECTED TO MONDAY, FEBRUARY 16

Winnipeg Grain	MON.	WEEK AGO	YEAR AGO	Winnipeg Live Stock	MON- DAY	WEEK AGO	YEAR AGO	Country Produce	MON- DAY	WEEK AGO	YEAR AGO
Cash Wheat				Cattle				Butter (per lb.)			
No. 1 Nor. ....	89 1/2	86 1/2	84 1/2	Extra choice steers .....	\$ c. \$ c.	\$ c. \$ c.	\$ c. \$ c.	Fancy dairy .....	23c	23c	29c
No. 2 Nor. ....	87 1/2	84 1/2	81 1/2	Best butcher steers and	7.00-7.50	7.00-7.50	6.50-7.00	No. 1 dairy .....	19c-20c	19c-20c	23c-24c
No. 3 Nor. ....	85 1/2	82 1/2	78 1/2	heifers .....	6.25-6.75	6.50-7.00	5.50-6.50	Good round lots .....	16c-17c	16c-17c	21c
No. 4 .....	81 1/2	76 1/2	73 1/2	Fair to good butcher				Eggs (per doz.)			
No. 5 .....	74	70 1/2	68 1/2	steers and heifers .....	6.00-6.25	6.00-6.50	5.00-5.50	Candled .....	24c-30c	28c-30c	20c
No. 6 .....	68	65 1/2	62 1/2	Best fat cows .....	5.50-6.25	5.50-6.00	5.50-6.00	Strictly new laid .....	30c-32c	33c	24c
Feed .....	63	60 1/2	59 1/2	Medium cows .....	4.75-5.25	4.75-5.25	4.50-5.00	Potatoes			
Cash Oats				Common cows .....	4.00-4.50	3.75-3.50	3.00-3.50	In sacks, per bushel .....	75c-85c	75c-85c	85c
No. 2 C.W. ....	34 1/2	33 1/2	32 1/2	Best bulls .....	5.00-5.50	5.00-5.50	4.50-5.00	Dressed Poultry			
Cash Barley				Com'n and medium bulls	4.25-4.75	4.25-4.50	3.50-4.50	Chickens .....	16c	16c	15c
No. 3 .....	43 1/2	41 1/2	47 1/2	Choice veal calves .....	7.00-7.50	6.00-7.00	6.00-7.50	Fowl .....	14c	15c	14c
Cash Flax				Heavy calves .....	5.50-6.00	5.50-6.00	5.50-6.00	Ducks .....	16c	16c	16c
No. 1 N.W. ....	131	127 1/2	114	Best milkers and spring- ers (each) .....	\$55-\$60	\$55-\$60	\$60-\$75	Geese .....	10c	10c	16c
Wheat Futures				Com'n milkers and spring ers (each) .....	\$40-\$50	\$40-\$50	\$45-\$50	Turkey .....	20c	20c	20c
May .....	92 1/2	91	88 1/2	Hogs				Milk and Cream			
July .....	94 1/2	92 1/2	89 1/2	Choice hogs .....	25-30.40	\$8.25-\$8.35	\$8.25	Sweet cream (per lb butter fat) .....	39c	35c	37c
October .....	39 1/2	38 1/2	36 1/2	Heavy sows .....	\$6.25	\$6.25	\$7.00	Cream for butter-ma- king purposes (per lb. butter fat) .....	29c	29c	35c
Oat Futures				Stags .....	\$4.25	\$4.25	\$5.00-6.00	Sweet milk (per 100 lbs.)	\$2.10	\$2.10	\$2.10
May .....	36 1/2	36 1/2	36 1/2	Sheep and Lambs				Hay (per ton)			
July .....	38 1/2	38	37	Choice lambs .....	7.00-7.50	7.00-7.50	6.50-7.00	No. 1 Red Top .....	\$10-\$11	\$10-\$11	\$11-12
Flax Futures				Best killing sheep .....	5.00-5.50	5.00-5.50	5.00-5.50	No. 1 Upland .....	\$9-\$10	\$9-\$10	\$9-\$11
May .....	135 1/2	133 1/2	118 1/2					No. 1 Timothy .....	\$14	\$14	\$18 \$1
July .....	138 1/2	136 1/2	119 1/2								



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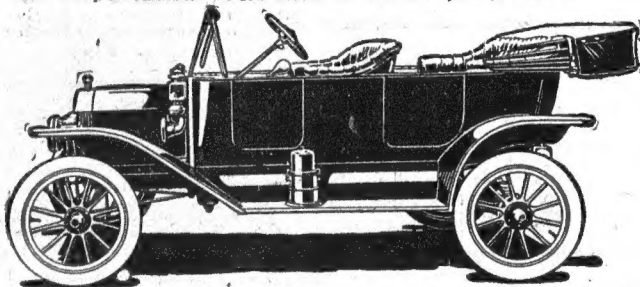
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## Work of Convention

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operation of the parcel post, was unanimously carried, and on the suggestion of the president another resolution was also adopted, thanking the government for having established a parcel post system.

It was resolved: "That in the opinion of this convention, the inspection of weights and measures should be more efficiently carried out."

Resolutions on Reciprocal Demurrage had been sent in by a number of locals. There was considerable difference in the wording, but the convention was unanimous in the opinion that the railway companies should be required to compensate the shipper when they failed to handle traffic with reasonable despatch, and a resolution was passed in the following terms: Resolved that the Railway Commission be asked to provide that the railway companies be allowed a reasonable length of time to deliver a car of grain to its destination, and that should the railway company fail to deliver same within the specified time, that the company pay for each day over the limit, at the same rate as the car is charged for on demurrage to the shipper.

W. J. Thompson, of Warman, moved a resolution to request the Dominion government to amend the Homestead Act so that instead of a homesteader forfeiting his homestead by making an assignment or mortgage before receiving his patent, the assignment or mortgage be declared illegal.

Mr. Thompson said that the assignment and mortgaging of unpatented homesteads was being carried on to an extent few people realized. One implement company to his own knowledge had 500 undated mortgages upon unpatented homesteads, and there had been numerous cases where men, on finishing their duties, had lost their homesteads thru seizure by threshing machine companies. Mr. Thompson also drew attention to the difficulties caused by the provision in the law which permitted judgments to be registered against a man's name and then placed as a cloud upon his title when he took out his patent. He had taken this matter up with the department of the interior and had been informed that the Dominion government could not deal with it. The recovery of debts and land titles were

provincial matters and the department of the interior could only give a patent and could not interfere with the granting of duplicate certificates of title. The resolution was carried unanimously.

### Sale of Machinery

Hon. George Langley moved a resolution relating to the sale of machinery as follows: Resolved that we ask the provincial government to enact a law to:

1—Confine the selling agents of machinery to the boundaries of cities, towns, villages and hamlets.

2—Make illegal the hypothecating for security of any chattels exempted from seizure under the Exemption Act.

3—All sales to be made under a uniform legal contract, which shall contain an implied warranty where no definite warranty is stated.

4—That no contract for the sale of any machine over \$100 shall be legal unless witnessed by two persons, who shall be residents of the district where the sale is made.

Mr. Langley said that having been thru every phase of the homesteader's experience, he knew the persuasive ways of the implement agent and he knew that men had often been induced to buy things that they did not need and could not pay for. He considered it was the duty of the government to protect the farmers, especially those who were new to the country and did not understand English. He could not undertake, as a member of the government, that the legislation asked for would be passed, but he would do everything in his power to have it passed, and he knew that Hon. W. R. Motherwell, the minister of agriculture, would also assist. The resolution was carried unanimously.

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